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The full neck is applied even to sports coats; witness the blue and gray plaid illustrated, which is spoken of as the monk's collar. Imagine the coat in a dusty brown and you can see that it suggests the contour of the robes of the fruit one sees pacing under the olive trees of Italy's hill towns. When this neckline is released it opens out into a square collar in back and wide revers in front.

**Matching Scarfs**  
To say the least, it is comfortable to have a matching scarf attached to your Spring coat. More than that, it's the thing, for an edict seems to have once more

## Beige Print



The highlight of this gown is its white organza yoke outlined with tiny pearl buttons. Of beige silk, the print has a high collar of Russian origin and features an unusual scalloped hemline. Added lines are added by a wide belt with bow in front as the choice of Sylvia Sydney, a popular screen star.

## FINGER NAILS TO MATCH JEWELS.

London. Finger nails enamelled to match my lady's jewels. They are the latest thing seen in London; white when wearing pearls, sky-blue with sapphires, green with jade.

## SHADOW-PROOF LACE

London. Shadow-proof lace is claimed to be the most important dress invention of the twentieth century. It has all the flimsy, uncrushable qualities of ordinary lace but a "backing" thread is introduced in the weaving process to prevent the lace from being transparent.

## EYE BROW-LENGTH VEILS.

Paris. New veils stop above the eyebrows; their function is to cast a becoming shadow on fashionably heightened foreheads.

gone forth that one must have the muffled look without actually muffling.

Sobriety of materials seems to be abandoned when it comes to the sporty type of coat. Checks, loud ones, and plaids are "it." The black-and-white shadow check is among the season's smartest patterns. The diagonal camel's hair in the sports coat is new and extremely chic.

## Fashion Fever In London

Sequin Creations Are Notable Offerings.

## SPRING AND SUMMER DESIGNS

The fashion writers of London are having a hectic time this season. They go dashing about all day from one show to another, with barely time between to scratch their food. Arriving upon the scene of action—at Claridges Hotel, a Bond Street salon or wherever it may happen to be—each day a bit earlier to act a chair to herself and floor space on which to rest her weary feet, the said fashion writer is sure to find that the crowd has got ahead of her.

People seem to swarm up the sides of the walls like flies, to occupy all the chairs, the floor and every inch of sitting, standing and crouching room. For Londoners have a bad attack of fashion fever just now. It is all very tiring but very wonderful.

**Spring and Summer Frocks**  
Equally wonderful are the various collections of Peter Russell, Norman Hartnell, Sara Jane and Reville, to mention but a few who have displayed their collections of spring and summer frocks during the past week.

Many shiny gold materials, tinsel, laces with gold and silver thread, gilded tulle and sequins (which are used particularly effectively by Norman Hartnell) are in evidence this season. Two of Hartnell's gowns, made entirely of sequins, are real objects of beauty. One of baby blue sequins and the other of wonderful gun-metal sequins, with a long rounded cape to match.

## COLOURED TENNIS SHORTS

Mrs. Whittingstall's One-Piece Costume.

## BLUE LINEN SHORTS AND BODICE

London. Mrs. Fearnley Whittingstall caused a gasp of astonishment among the women spectators at the Melbury Hard Court Club, Kensington, open lawn tennis tournament recently when she came on the court for her match against Mrs. Wheatcroft.

She was wearing sky-blue linen shorts and bodice (a one-piece garment) and a woollen cardigan to match.

The shorts had three pearl buttons on each leg, and the waist band was fastened with a white pearl buckle.

This is the first time that a player has appeared in shorts with a coloured costume. Usually the shorts differ in colour from the bodice, and in most cases are white.

One women spectator said "it looks more suitable for bathing than for lawn tennis."

Other women said that this was the beginning of a fashion of multi-coloured costumes, and it would not be long before the

## Vernal Jauntiness



Gold tones accentuate the intrinsic beauty of this matinee dress worn by Mrs. Clarke, feature actress. The frock buttons down the entire front with gold bone buttons. A green, gold and white linen scarf slipped through the slashed collar, together with matching sweater gold matinee dress jacket make it youthful, debonair, and smart.

## THE NEW STRAW HAND-BAGS.

Handy Diamante Dress Clip.

London. In one London shop were seen the new straw handbags for spring and early summer.

They are made of fine straw worked in circles like the crown of a hat.

Light navy, red and black are the colours, and each straw bag has a gun-metal frame top.

If you are looking for a new kind of dress clip, glance away from the straw bags to the jewellery tables and you will see large round clips covered with small beads instead of the familiar diamante.

Chalk white or bright red beads make these clips to brighten up a tired frock.

A new set of individual bath salts packed in little oellophane sacks are put up in a semi-transparent gold box.

Each salt sack is coloured according to its name. The varieties include hyacinth, rose, eau-de-Cologne and jasmine.

These are made by the Cerebos salt people.

courts will resemble a rainbow.

Mrs. Whittingstall lost the match by 4-6, 6-4, 6-4, but this cannot be attributed to her costume, which was serviceable in every way.

## PLAIN CLOTHES WITH DRESSY CUT

Frills Replaced By Line And Cut.

SUBTLE TRIMMINGS ADD TO STYLE

Sydney. First of all, doubtless, it was what is commonly termed "the depression" which accounted for the sudden disappearance of all appearance of frill from dressing, but since then designers have learned to make full use of this absence of frill to develop line and cut in dressing, so that it is no longer necessary to trim clothes to make them smart. In fact, it is the very absence of trimming which makes for smartness nowadays.

Good cut is the answer to chic for both day and evening clothes, and synonymous with this is the necessary for good carriage on the part of the wearer.

And, having mastered the art of cut, designers are now turning their attention again to the subtler form of trimmings, particularly in evening clothes, but trimming which does not conceal good cutting, but rather draws attention to the salient points of good dressing.

And the longer we look into the mirror of fashion, the more are we convinced that plain clothes—with cut—are the salvation of style.

Otherwise, how would the famous couturieres find the heart to go on?

## MODERN MODES AID MOVEMENT.

New "Prow" Silhouette By Lelong.

## BLACK LACE EVENING GOWN.

Paris.

One of the most interesting (and characteristic) things about modern fashions is that they are created in relation to movement, contrary to the styles of "carriage days," when, if we are to judge by photographic records of over-stuffed ladies, the sartorial ideal was the wax figure. To-day, not only do clothes accompany and emphasize the action of the human figure; they also have a sweep, a movement of their own, so that even in repose they seem to be advancing or receding.

Lucien Lelong, who first put the kinetic line into out style vocabulary, has now launched to "prow silhouette." This is well named, for the vaporous forward sweeping draperies do suggest the film of spray thrown out by the sharp nose of the ocean liner as it cuts through the sea.

A black lace evening gown, carries the figurehead simile even further. The misty, voluminous front fullness is framed by a cascading ruffle that may (without too great a stretch of the imagination) represent the divided foam that flows past the ship's sides to reunite in its wake, which in the gown becomes a train. Lace, tulle, chiffon are the ideal materials for creating this statuesque silhouette, which obviously is best suited to the evening.

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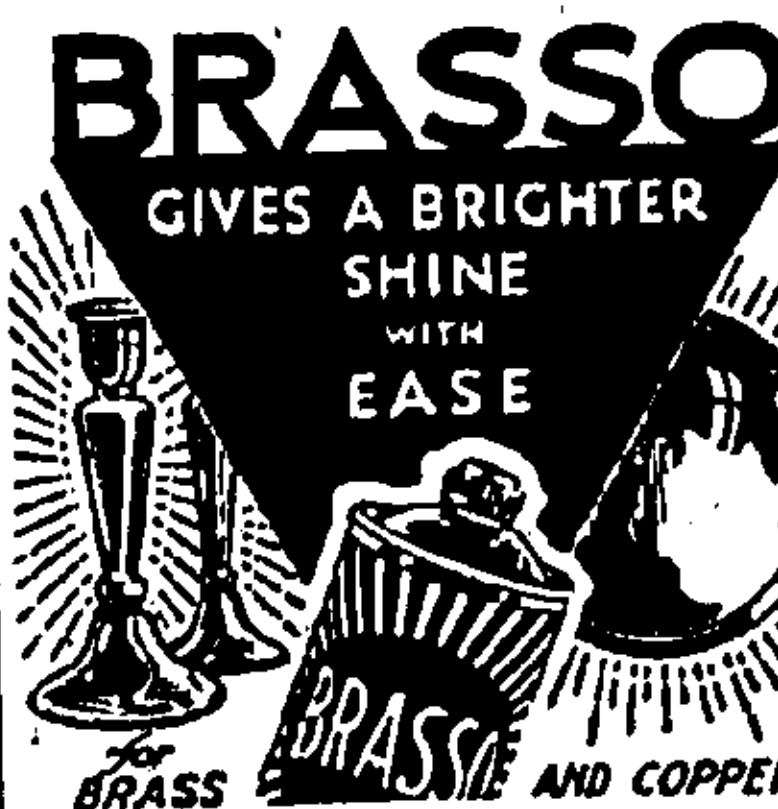
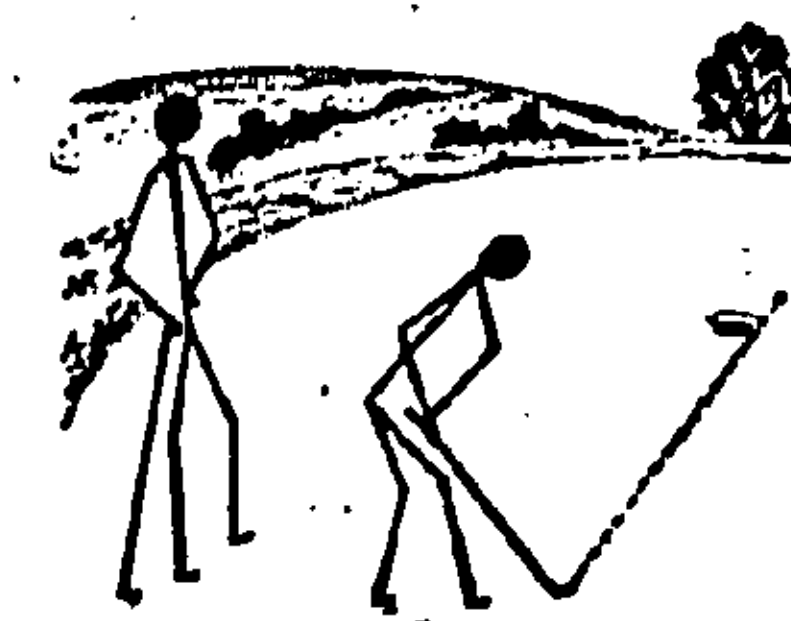
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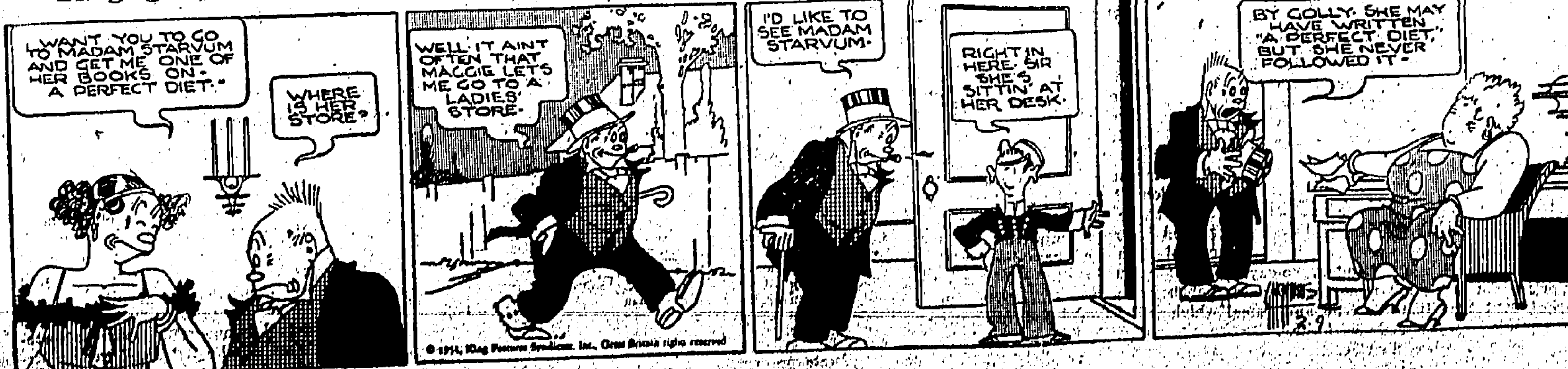
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ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

By Order of the Stewards,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 16th May, 1934.

### COMPANY MEETINGS

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on FRIDAY, the 25th May, 1934, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1933.

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By Order of the Board,  
A. W. HUGHES,  
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Hong Kong, 30th April, 1934.

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## MR. WEDGWOOD BENN

Ex-Secretary For India  
On Visit To China.

IMPRESSIONS OF U. S. GIVEN  
IN SHANGHAI

Comments On Weakness Of The  
Liberal Party

Shanghai, May 7.  
The Rt. Hon. Wedgwood Benn, former Secretary of State for India, is a visitor to Shanghai, arriving with Mrs. Benn from Japan on Monday night with the intention of making a short stay in China studying conditions before continuing on a trip round the world which will take them through Russia on their way to London.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn, who with characteristic energy immediately began to approach Chinese problems with a receptive mind, explained to a "North-China Daily News" representative yesterday, that he and his wife had recently completed an extended tour of the United States, and when they reached California they acted on the suggestion to make the return trip to England, via the Pacific. A month was spent in Japan, during which they were warmly entertained, and they then continued their journey to China.

Conditions in U.S.

Questioned on conditions in the United States since President Roosevelt introduced the National Recovery Administration, Mr. Wedgwood Benn said he was greatly impressed with its operation and results, and he prefaced his remarks by stating that he had just made his second visit to the country, during which he travelled 10,000 miles and covered 38 states.

"My impressions may be summed up under four points," he said, and proceeded to enumerate them as follows:

"1. President Roosevelt's popularity is undimmed.  
"2. Though deeply individualist by tradition the American is prepared to accept a form of socialism if it is offered in the guise of leadership.  
"3. Things are better. There is a much more cheerful tone this year than last year.

"4. The open question is whether the improved tone is due to the long term programme—that is the N.R.A.—or to the lavish expenditure of public funds and the extension of public credit."

The speech of Sir Herbert Samuel at the Liberal Party demonstration at Bournemouth brought pointed comment from the visitor. Sir Herbert referred to the suggestion of closer co-operation between Liberals and Labour—an idea which was promptly repudiated by Mr. George Lansbury.

Sir Herbert expressed readiness to co-operate with anyone who would join in resisting attacks upon freedom and assist in fighting against policies hostile to peace.

At the same time, he continued, they must also support a progressive policy of reform in relation to unemployment and the standard of living.

He was not prepared, however, to agree to the destruction of private enterprise and personal initiative and the transfer of industry, commerce and finance to political management. He would also never give his acquiescence to reckless public expenditure.

The task of the Liberals, he declared, was once more to build up a powerful party, treating personal questions with the contempt they deserved.

Liberal Party Weakness.

Commenting on this report Mr. Wedgwood Benn observed: "Sir Herbert Samuel's statement, while of course quite admirable in its reference to freedom and international peace, illustrates in other respects the essential weakness of the Liberal Party, and explains the reasons for its dissolution."

"The key to all modern political problems, internal or external, is economic," he proceeded. "Previously, the Liberal Party was much divided on economic issues and the fact there remain still a few who will not accept the latest free policy explains Sir Herbert Samuel's unwillingness to define the position of his party."

"But the truth is that no party can play any part which does not

## Aftermath of Pro and Anti Nazi Riot



A rioter in each hand, one of New York's "Finest" leaves the scene of battle in Ridgewood, Queens, where Nazi sympathizers and anti-Nazis staged a free-for-all as a sequel to a meeting of the pro-Nazi society known as the "Friends of New Germany." Prompt action by the police prevented major disorder.

## HIND STAMP SALE IN LONDON

Collection Value At  
£200,000.

FIVE AUCTION SESSIONS

New York.  
The foreign stamps comprising the large collection of the late Mr. Arthur Hind, of Utica, New York, will be sold in London, it has been learned by the Collectors Club here.

The executors of the estate had arranged for the sale by auction of the stamps of Great Britain and the British Colonies to be held here.

The sale was cancelled when the executors announced in February that the entire collection had been sold to a nephew, Mr. F. M. J. Hind of Bradford, who was one of the heirs under the will.

The entire collection, valued at £200,000, with the exception of the United States issues which were sold here last autumn, were taken to London.

The announcement states that the issues of Great Britain and the Colonies will be sold in five sessions of three days each between April 30, and July 2. The continental issues will be sold in September and October.—Reuter.

## MORE WOOL FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

30,000 Bales Annually  
For Japan.

Melbourne, Victoria.

A report from abroad to Melbourne brokers declared that Japan intended to buy 30,000 bales of wool annually in South Africa.

This report, said one broker, proved that Japan was buying slightly more wool in Africa, but the quantity was negligible alongside its Australian purchases.

These had been 434,000 bales in the eight months of this season.—Reuter.

make up its mind. There is a place in politics for the ideals of individualism, and there is a place for the ideals of economic co-operation, but there is no place for those who profess to ignore what in reality is the root of the matter," he declared.

Distinguished Record.

The Rt. Hon. Wedgwood Benn, was born in 1877, son of Sir John Williams Benn, Bt. He was Liberal member for St. George's Division, Tower Hamlets, from 1904-1918. He represented Leith from 1918-1927, and joined the Labour Party in 1927 and represented North Aberdeen from 1928 to 1931. He was Junior Lord of the Treasury from 1910 to 1915 and Secretary of State for India in 1929-1931. He was defeated in the General Election of 1931.

He served with great distinction during the Great War, serving in the Yeomanry and afterwards in the Royal Flying Corps, gaining the D.S.O. and the D.F.O. for his exploits in the air.

### BRIDGE NOTES

Reading The Cards.

by Ely Culbertson.

It is sometimes possible for a good card player to read his partner's holding almost card for card from inferences he has received in the bidding. The following hand, played in an expert game at one of the Bridges clubs in New York City, was shown to me after it was played, with the bidding, and I agreed that I have seldom seen an example of more enlightening information interchanged between any partnership.

North, Dealer.

East and West vulnerable.

NORTH:—  
S—A K Q 9 5 4  
H—4  
D—K Q J 6  
C—4 3

WEST:—  
S—J 8 7 3 2  
H—7 6  
D—9  
C—10 9 8 7

SOUTH:—  
S—  
H—A J 3  
D—10 7 4 3 2  
C—A K Q 5 2

EAST:—  
S—10 6  
H—K Q 10 9 8 5 2  
D—A 8 5  
C—6

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)  
South West North East  
1S 1S 2H  
3C (3) Dbl. 3NT (4) Pass  
5D (5) Pass 6D (6) Pass  
Pass Pass

1—South, fearing a misfit, prefers to double a vulnerable two heart bid for an almost certain penalty of 500 points rather than gamble on a game bid which might not be made.

2—North's distribution is most unfavourable to defensive play. His spade suit is so strong that it is correct for him to rebid it. South's club suit is so much stronger than his diamond suit that he bids it first, even though the suits are of equal length.

3—North sees no reason to risk playing a doubled club contract, with the possibility that all the adverse clubs may be stacked in one hand. His partner's heart double and club bid have shown him stoppers in those suits.

4—South can now read North's holding almost exactly. He must be short in hearts or he would have left the double of a vulnerable bid alone. He cannot have adequate support in the club suit. Had he held seven spades or more, he would have rebid spades a second time. Instead of bidding no trump, North must, therefore, have four diamonds. A four diamond bid at this point would be too weak to show the full

## DIAMOND DEALERS CELEBRATE

New York Club Moves  
To New Quarters.

BULLET-PROOF CLUBHOUSE

New York.

Trading was suspended for 24 hours when members of the New York Diamond Dealers Club, moved into their new exchange quarters.

Once moved and secure behind steel doors, they sang songs, listened to speeches and prepared to resume their precarious trade in a room that has the combined aspects of a bank vault and an artists' studio.

Tall windows along one wall let in the North light which must be neither too strong nor too dull when diamonds are being appraised. Square peepholes, covered with bullet-proof glass, are set in the steel doors, which only open to members.

An intricate system of burglar alarms run through their quarters and the entire building is patrolled by a squad of special police.

The 500 members are reticent, self-effacing men, who carry their wares around with them in soiled envelopes. They are studiously inconspicuous in their dress and manner, eschewing all personal adornment that might mark them as likely hold-up prospects.

Strict Code Of Ethics.

The dealers, said Mr. Lubin, are scrupulously honest. They often exchange thousands of dollars worth of gems without even a memorandum as security.

They have a strict code of ethics, too. If one make a casual offer of \$2,000 for a stone, he is bound to it, even if closer examination shows the gem to be worth considerably less.

"They get around that, though," added Mr. Lubin, "by saying 'would you take \$2,000' instead of 'I will give you \$2,000.'"

When the deal is completed, the stone is handed over with the Hebrew remark, "Moselem brocha" (good luck and with a blessing). Owing to the fluctuate of values in accordance with foreign exchange, it often happens that a gem may return to its original owner at dusk with a profit to him both coming and going.

The club has been in existence for 50 years. There are only two women members.—Reuter.

honour strength of South's hand.

6—North's bid at this point is easy. South's five diamond bid can be construed only as a slam invitation, since he would have had no reason to take on an undoubted trump contract otherwise.

No comment on the play is necessary. East and West could not possibly win any trick other than the diamond Ace.

## RADIO

### TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcasted to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 355 metres (845 K.C.s):—

1-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.  
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.  
1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room. (By courtesy of the Management).  
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.  
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

Pianoforte Recital from The Studio.  
A Vocal Recital from "La Boheme."  
4.30-5.15 p.m.—European Recorded Music.

Orchestral—  
Delibes in Vienna (arr. Walter),  
Orchestra Raymonde.

Violin Solo—  
An Old Violin (Fisher),  
Looking For you (Sanderson),  
Albert Sandler (Violin With Olive Groves (Soprano).

Orchestral—  
Shepherd's Hey (Granger),  
Molly on the "hone" (Granger),  
Royal Opera Orchestra Covent Garden.

Pianoforte Solo—One Lives But Once (Strauss),  
Sergei Rachmaninoff.

Octet—  
Valse Caprice (Rubinstein),  
Perpetuum Mobile (Weber),  
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Song—  
Come Back (Toselli's Serenade),  
A Brown Bird Singing (Naydn Wood),  
Master Leslie Day (Boy Soprano).

Saxophone Solo—  
At Dawning (Cadman),  
Howard Jacobs.  
5.15-7.30 p.m.—Chinese Programme.  
7.30-10.30 p.m.—European Programme.

7.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, etc.  
8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

7.33-8.18 p.m.—Variety.  
Orchestra—C. B. Cochran Presents  
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Vocal—A Million Dreams,  
The Ponce Sister—Comedienne.  
Piano—  
Mr. Whittington—Who Do You Think You Are?

Duets—  
Mr. Whittington—What A Pleasant Surprise,  
Carroll Gibbons & John W. Green.  
Fox Trot—  
The Sun Is Round The Corner  
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Fox Trot—  
It's only a Paper Moon  
Night Owl  
Paul Whiteman & His Orch.

Song—  
Why Can't this Night go on Forever  
Farewell to Arms  
Charles Carlisle (Tenor)

8.18-9 p.m.—Symphonic Suite  
(Himsky-Korsakov Op. 35)  
Scherezade, Philadelphia, Symphonic Orchestra directed by Leopold Stokowski.

1st Movement—  
The Sea and The Vessel of Sinbad.  
2nd Movement—  
The Tale of the Prince Kalender

3rd Movement—  
The Young Prince & The Young Princess  
4th Movement—  
The Festival at Bagdad.  
The Vessel is Wrecked.  
From the Studio.

9.20 p.m.—A Recital from "La Boheme" (Puccini) by Miss Marie de Cama. (Dramatic Soprano).  
Programme.

1. Vale de Musica  
Quando me onvo soletta.  
2. Solo de Mimi  
Si mi chiamano Mimi  
3. Addio de Mimi,  
Dove lieta uscì al tuo grido d'amore

9.30-9.50 p.m.—  
Memories of Johann Strauss  
(arr. Willoughby)

From the Studio.  
9.50 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Luba Shafarin.

Programme  
1. Sonata No. 2 ..... Scarlatti  
2. Sonata No. 2 ..... Haydn  
3. Minuetto ..... Mozart  
4. Sonata No. 10 (1st Movement) ..... Beethoven.

5. Sonata in F Sharp (1st Movement) ..... Brahms.  
9.30-10.30 p.m.—Light Orchestra Selections.  
Overture—Light Cavalry (Suppe)  
Merry Wives of Windsor (Nielsen)  
Victor Symphony Orch.

Edmond Overture (Beethoven)  
New Light Symphony Orchestra.  
Foot & Pantomime Overture (Suppe)  
Percy Pitt & Augmented Orch.

10.30 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.  
10.35 p.m.—Close Down.

### "I WILL NOT DIE"

Madrid.  
"I will not die before I am 118," Manuela Vidalgo, of Madrid, told her grandchildren.  
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### MIXED COURTS IN EGYPT

(Continued from page 1.)

aware that several points connected with the organisation of these tribunals had recently attracted attention in Egypt, and while he would not be expected to formulate the attitude of His Majesty's Government towards claims which had not as yet been put forward, he might say that in any further conversations which the British High Commissioner might have with the Egyptian Government, some had already taken place—as well as in consideration of any official proposals which the Egyptian Government might put forward, the following three points would be borne in mind.

#### THE THREE POINTS

1. The technical and professional claim of Egyptian judges to equality with their foreign colleagues had already been recognised by the mixed Courts themselves.

2. While the use of Arabic in pleadings and the giving of evidence was, he understood, already freely conceded, the suitability of that language for the rendering and recording of judgments, which must not only be based upon French law, but must be intelligible to all the judges composing the Chamber, seemed at least open to doubt.

3. The mixed Courts were not the only set of Courts existing in Egypt. There were other national Courts which were purely Egyptian.

**RELIEVING CAPACITY**  
The peculiar importance of mixed courts was due to the fact that they were created at once to relieve Egypt of the much greater burden imposed upon her by the full Consular Jurisdiction which had previously existed, and to safeguard the interests of foreign communities.

Both these objects would have to be kept in view when dealing with any proposals for modifications in their constitution and procedure.—British Wireless Service.

### STARTING TIMES FOR FANLING.

#### Holiday Pairings

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanling on Sunday and Whit-Monday.

| Old Course.          |                                   |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Trains leave Kowloon | 8.37 and                          |
| 9.11 a.m.            |                                   |
| 9.28 a.m.            | A. E. Lissaman, A. T. Lay.        |
| 9.32                 | H. N. Williamson, W. Pittendrigh. |
| 9.36                 | R. A. Rodgers, E. des Voeux.      |
| 9.40                 | P. L. Leefe, J. C. Dunbar.        |
| 9.44                 | E. M. Bryden, R. C. Webb.         |
| 9.48                 | D. H. Perry, D. J. Keogh.         |
| 9.52                 | G. S. Archbutt, K. S. Morrison.   |
| 9.56                 | Major E. Field, Capt. Mitchell.   |
| 10.00                | J. M. Walker, D. S. Robb.         |
| 10.04                | W. A. Mackinlay, R. T. Talbot.    |
| 10.08                | J. B. Ross, R. Young.             |
| 10.12                | J. A. R. Selby, D. Ellis.         |
| 10.16                | H. F. Phillips, T. Addis Martin.  |
| 10.20                | W. H. E. Thomas, I. H. Geare.     |
| 10.24                | A. B. Raworth, E. Davidson.       |
| 10.28                | W. G. Robertson, J. B. Mackie.    |
| 10.32                | W. J. Walker, H. T. Duxton.       |
| 10.36                | E. M. Bryden, J. C. Webb.         |
| 10.40                | A. W. Hay, Edie, G. Castle.       |
| 10.44                | Sq. Ldr. Keary, Capt. Williams.   |

#### WHITMONDAY.

| Old Course. |                                     |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| 9.28 a.m.   | D. A. Cumming, G. A. Stewart.       |
| 9.32        | A. T. Lay, W. H. E. Thomas.         |
| 9.36        | E. Taylor, P. L. Collinson.         |
| 9.40        | E. M. Bryden, J. C. Webb.           |
| 9.44        | R. A. Rodgers, C. J. Stirlingworth. |
| 9.48        | Major E. Field, Capt. Mitchell.     |
| 9.52        | F. Austin, J. MacKnight.            |
| 9.56        | J. M. Walker, K. S. Morrison.       |
| 10.00       | F. Orlepp, W. Pittendrigh.          |
| 10.04       | R. C. and Mrs. Webb.                |

# CONVINCING TENNIS WIN FOR CHAMPIONS

## SCOTTISH GOLF TRIUMPH

Mrs. Holm Wins British Women's Title.

MISS BARTON LOSES 6 & 5

London, To-day. Mrs. Holm, of Troon, registered the first Scottish triumph for 23 years in the British Women's Golf Championship when she beat 17-year-old Miss Pamela Barton by 6 and 5 in the 36 holes final at Forthcraig yesterday.

Her young opponent was one up at the 18th. Miss Barton, however, cracked up badly after lunch, enabling her older and far more experienced opponent to forge ahead and win with comparative ease.—Reuter.

The following are the winners since the War: Miss Cecil Leitch (1920, 1921, 1926), Miss Joyce Wetherped (1922, 1924, 1925, 1929), Miss D. Chambers (1926), Miss de la Chaume (1927), Miss M. le Blan (1928), Miss D. Fishwick (1930, 1932), Miss Enid Wilson (1931), and Miss D. Pearson (1933).

## COLOMBO STILL FAVOURITE

Umidwar Second In Derby Call-Over.

LORD GLANELY'S HOPES

Lord Glanely's Colombo, winner of ten consecutive races, including the 2000 Guineas and the Craven Stakes, is still hot favourite at 7 to 4 for the Derby, which will be run at Epsom on June 6.

Colombo's recent wins in the 2000 Guineas and Craven Stakes did much to shorten his price, and with such a record behind him, his price is expected to shorten before the race.

H.H. the Aga Khan's Umidwar, second favourite, is now 100 to 12, against 100 to 9 at the last call-over on May 12.

Lord Glanely has won the Derby only once before—in 1919 with Grand arde.

Yesterday's call over as cabled by Reuter was as follows:  
Colombo—7 to 4.  
Umidwar—100 to 12.  
Windsor Lad—10 to 1.  
Easton—100 to 7 to 1 and 6.  
Lozinger—100 to 6 to 1 and 1.  
Admiral Drake—22 to 1.  
Tiberius—25 to 1 and 6.  
Valerius—33 to 1 and 6.  
Alshah—40 to 1 and 6.  
Bardwin—40 to 1 and 6.  
Achenar—40 to 1 and 6.  
Medieval Knight—50 to 1 and 6 to 1.  
Master Vere—50 to 1.  
Bereat—66 to 1 and 6.

### CRICKET.

(Continued from Page 4)

#### TREVOR WIGNALL'S FORECAST

##### Australian XI For Test

Communicating with the "Daily Express" London by radio from Oxford on Sunday April 8 Trevor Wignall says:—

To-day I am able to give you Australia's probable team for the first Test. This is it:—  
Woodfull, Bradman, Ponsford, Oldfield, Grimmett, Kippax, Brown, McCabe, Bromley, Wall, and O'Reilly.

Of these men, Brown, Bromley, and O'Reilly will be new to you in England, as this is their first trip over.

Every day is a day of rest for the Australians, but to-day being Sunday there has been more yawning and deck-chair resting than ever.

The majority of the team attended church service this morning, but later they did not show much in the competitions which are now in full and furious swing.

**£200 FOR SPORTS—BUT—**  
More than £200 has been contributed to the sports fund, but judging by results to date it is unlikely that either the cricketers or the Australian tennis team for Wimbledon will gather much prize money.

All the Australian cricketers are considerable letter writers. We are nearing Eden, and to-night there has been much activity with pen and pencil. As eight of the good news to eight or more players are bachelors this may mean maidens in sundry parts of Australia.

## C.R.C. "B" TENNIS TEAM WIN

### GRADUATES OUTCLASSED AT CAUSEWAY BAY

Recreio And K.C.C. Win

THE Chinese Recreation Club, the present holders of all four championships, recorded the most outstanding win in the opening matches of the "B" Division Lawn Tennis League yesterday afternoon, crushing the Graduates' Association by 8 sets to 1 at Causeway Bay.

The K.C.C. won their match at home, defeating the University by the narrow margin of 5 sets to 4, and the Club de Recreio overwhelmed the Hong Kong Cricket Club by 6½ sets to 2½.

The South China A.A. and Indian Recreation Club shared the spoils in their re-arranged fixture at Sookunpoo yesterday, each team securing 4½ sets.

## C.R.C.'S CRUSHING VICTORY

Graduates' Association Overwhelmed.

VETERANS SHINE

The Chinese Recreation Club the holders of the four Championships last year, and for many years the holders of the "B" Division, Championship, scored an overwhelming victory over the Graduates' Association in their first match of the season in the "B" Division Lawn Tennis League, leading the University men by 8 matches to 1 at Causeway Bay yesterday afternoon.

M. F. Choy and P. C. Leung were the outstanding pair for the C.R.C. winning their three sets at 6-1, while Dr. A. L. Tsai and Dr. F. Y. Khoo had the honour of recording the only Graduates' victory, defeating Y. W. Lee and C. Y. Tso by 6-3.

In their matches Choy and Leung constantly outpositioned their opponents, showing court-craft worthy of "A" Division players. Choy exhibited a particularly safe service, which baffled the receiver on many occasions with its very low rebound. Leung was very sound at the net, returning many hard shots down the line, while at the back of the court he retrieved many difficult shots.

#### Veterans Win

The C.R.C. veteran pair played some very good tennis, F. K. Lau, one of the Club's oldest playing members, supporting L. F. Hon to victory in three sets over players many years their junior. Hon and Lau lost the first two games of their first set, chiefly owing to Hon's slight nervousness, but after getting into their stride, by sound, steady tactics they completely upset the dashing play of the former University men.

Dr. Khoo and Dr. Tsai provided the only really bright spot in the Graduates' play. They were erratic at the start, and in their second set were beaten badly by the C.R.C.'s first string.

They made a splendid rally in their last set, however, taking three straight sets from Lee and Tso, and finally beating the C.R.C. pair by 6-3. Dr. Tsai did some very good work on an unfamiliar court, his play on the base line being very sound. He and Dr. Khoo had Lee and Tso out of position on many occasions and fully deserved their solitary victory.

Dr. Sopher and Dr. Samy played the most strenuous tennis of the afternoon, and many of their points were only given away after fierce rallies in which they were finally out-played by the superior court-craft of the C.R.C. men.

P. F. Choy and P. C. Leung (C.R.C.):—

beat Y. L. Pao and H. N. Cheung ..... 6-1  
beat Dr. A. L. Tsai and Dr. F. Y. Khoo ..... 6-1  
beat Dr. D. K. Samy and Dr. S. Sopher ..... 6-1  
Y. W. Lee and C. Y. Tso (C.R.C.):—

beat Samy and Sopher ..... 8-2  
beat Pao and Cheung ..... 6-2  
lost to Tsai and Khoo ..... 3-6  
L. F. Hon and F. K. Lau (C.R.C.):—

beat Tsai and Khoo ..... 6-2  
beat Samy and Sopher ..... 6-1  
beat Pao and Cheung ..... 8-4



## RIBEIRO'S FINE DEBUT FOR RECREIO

Good Net Play By J. Remedios.

### TRAIL AND DUNHAM WIN CLUB'S ONLY POINTS

In their opening match in the "B" Division Lawn Tennis League the Club de Recreio recorded an easy win over the Hong Kong Cricket Club at King's Park yesterday afternoon by 6½ sets to 2½.

H. A. Ribeiro partnered A. M. Silva for the first time, and the pair played good tennis, defeating T. C. Monaghan and V. Gordon, T. Edkins and G. Gamble, and the D. C. Dunham and Dr. R. S. Traill combination to a draw.

Ribeiro is a newcomer to the Recreio, having played for the Filippino Club last year. He should prove to be a great acquisition to the Portuguese.

J. J. Remedios was excellent at the net, while A. A. Remedios and W. A. Reed, the well-known hockey player, formed a formidable pair, winning two of their three sets.

Dunham and Traill secured the Club's only points.

Scores:  
L. A. Silva and J. J. Remedios (Recreio):—  
lost to D. C. Dunham and Dr. R. S. Traill ..... 4-6  
beat T. C. Monaghan and V. Gordon ..... 6-1  
beat T. Edkins and G. Gamble 6-4

A. A. Remedios and W. A. Reed (Recreio):—

lost to Dunham and Traill .. 3-6  
beat Monaghan and Gordon .. 6-4  
beat Edkins and Gamble ..... 7-5

H. A. Ribeiro and A. M. Silva (Recreio):—

drew with Dunham and Traill 6-6  
beat Monaghan and Gordon .. 6-2  
beat Edkins and Gamble ..... 6-2

## K.C.C. JUST SCRAMBLE HOME BY 5 TO 4

University Rally Unavailing.

### MATCH HINGES ON LAST SET

In a hotly contested encounter, the K.C.C. defeated the University by 5 sets to 4 in their opening match in the "B" Division Tennis League on the K. C. C. courts yesterday.

The K. C. C. were leading 2 to 1 at the end of the first round, and were 4 to 2 up at the end of the second.

The University then made a good rally in the last round, but lost the deciding match, between R. E. Lewis and G. C. Burnett (K. C. C.) and P. P. Kho and M. Singh. The Kowloon pair led 8-0 at the start, but Kho and Singh levelled the scores at 3-3. The K. C. C. pair then came again to go out at 6-3.

## SWIMMING DISPLAY AT "Y" ON THURSDAY

Japanese To Attack World Records.

LIMITED SEATING ACCOMMODATION

At the monthly meeting of the Hong Kong International Amateur Swimming Association, held at Lane Crawford's Restaurant last night, the arrangements for the forthcoming attacks on world swimming records by the Japanese Far East Olympic swimmers, which will take place in the European Y.M.C.A. bath next Thursday, were discussed fully.

Mr. A. G. Donn was elected to the Chair in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Y. K. Mok. Others present were Mr. R. Goldman, Hon. Secretary, Mr. Wong Suen-man (S.C.A.A.), Mr. E. F. Selk (Y.M.C.A.), Mr. W. Woodward (Royal Navy), Mr. A. C. N. da Silva (University Swimming Club).

After the adoption of the minutes of the last meeting, it was decided that the Exhibition should be held at the European Y.M.C.A. Pool next Thursday evening, to commence at 7.30 p.m.

The Hon. Secretary stated that the European Y.M.C.A. were willing to allow the use of their bath for the Exhibition at a nominal fee.

After lengthy discussion it was decided that a charge of \$2.20, inclusive of tax, would be made for reserved seats—about 200 seats will be reserved—and Servicemen will be admitted at half-price.

**Special Service Seats**  
The meeting agreed that a special concession should be made to Servicemen, and that a section of the seats would be reserved for them.

It was also decided that a limited amount of standing accommodation would be permitted downstairs at a charge of \$2.20, inclusive of tax.

Booking plans will be opened at the European Y.M.C.A. on Monday, May 21.

The following Committee members were appointed to Sub-Committees for the Exhibition. Reception:—Dr. Tsoi Tze-shek and Mr. A. W. Ingram. Tickets Reception:—Mr. H. Wing Lee and Mr. Hughes. Announcer:—Mr. E. F. Selk.

Time-keepers:—Mr. Leung Tat-sang and Mr. Ip Kun-yin.

Ushers:—Mr. To King-shun and Mr. H. L. Lee.

Swimming arrangements:—Mr. R. Goldman.

Scores:  
L. A. Oppenheim and S. A. Gray (K.C.C.):—  
lost to Y. K. Ng and K. M. Lo 2-6  
lost to H. N. Lee and P. K. Leung ..... 2-6  
beat P. P. Kho and Maugh Singh ..... 6-1

R. B. Lewis and G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.):—

beat Ng and Lo ..... 7-5  
beat Lee and Leung ..... 6-1  
beat Kho and M. Singh ..... 6-3

C. I. Stapleton and D. S. Green (K.C.C.):—

lost to Ng and Lo ..... 2-6  
lost to Lee and Leung ..... 4-6  
beat Kho and M. Singh ..... 6-3

## L.R.C. Draw With S.C.A.A.

The Indian Recreation Club shared the honours with the South China A.A. in their first "B" Division tennis match held at Sookunpoo yesterday, each team securing 4½ sets.

Scores:  
A. H. Madar and S. A. Ismail (L.R.C.):—  
lost to C. C. Luk and S. W. Wong ..... 2-6  
beat Y. E. Chu and H. K. Ho 6-2  
beat T. S. Ung and C. H. Ung 6-2

M. O. Hoosen and A. K. Saffaid (L.R.C.):—  
lost to Luk and Wong ..... 5-7  
beat Chu and Ho ..... 6-3  
beat Ung and Ung ..... 6-2

M. A. Arnull and A. K. Ismail (L.R.C.):—  
lost to Luk and Wong ..... 0-6  
lost to Luk and Wong ..... 0-6  
lost to Ung and Ung ..... 4-6

## China Mail Sports Diary

TO-DAY.

Lawn Tennis—"C" Division:—  
(Hong Kong Section)  
Civil Service C.C. v. Indian R.C.  
Chinese R.C. v. Radio Sports.  
Army T.C. v. Police R.C.  
C.C.G. v. University (Kowloon Section)  
Kowloon C. C. v. Kowloon Indians  
Club de Recreio v. Central British  
Kowloon Docks v. South China A.A.  
Deutscher Klub v. Kowloon B.G.C.

## CUBS OVERWHELM PHILLIES

Chuck Klein Hits Two Homers.

PIRATES NOSED OUT IN U. S. BASEBALL

New York, To-day. Chuck Klein and Hartnett were responsible for the Chicago Cubs swamping the Philadelphia Phillies by a 10 to 3 margin in yesterday's major league baseball. The Brooklyn Dodgers were forced to 10 innings before they could nose out the Pittsburgh Pirates by a 2 to 1 tally.

Results as cabled by Reuter were as follows:

National League  
R. H. E.  
Cincinnati ..... 3 8 0  
New York ..... 6 9 0  
Pittsburgh hit a homer.

Pittsburgh ..... 1 7 1  
Brooklyn ..... 2 7 2  
10 innings.

St. Louis ..... 5 10 2  
V. Davis and Frisch hit homers.  
Boston ..... 3 9 1

Chicago ..... 10 20 1  
Hartnett and Chuck Klein (2) hit two homers.  
Philadelphia ..... 3 5 2  
Game went to 10 innings.

American League  
Philadelphia ..... 2 9 1  
McNair hit a homer.  
Chicago ..... 7 9 0  
Bonura hit a homer.

New York ..... 4 10 1  
Crossett hit a homer.  
Detroit ..... 5 11 2

Boston ..... 3 7 0  
St. Louis ..... 4 9 2  
Hornsby hit a homer.

Washington ..... 6 9 4  
Manush hit a homer.  
Cleveland ..... 14 17 2

#### TABLES TO DATE

##### NATIONAL LEAGUE

|              | P. | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|----|------|
| Chicago      | 28 | 18 | 9  | .676 |
| St. Louis    | 25 | 16 | 9  | .640 |
| Pittsburgh   | 22 | 14 | 8  | .636 |
| New York     | 27 | 16 | 11 | .582 |
| Boston       | 24 | 12 | 12 | .500 |
| Brooklyn     | 25 | 10 | 15 | .400 |
| Philadelphia | 23 | 7  | 16 | .304 |
| Cincinnati   | 24 | 5  | 18 | .208 |

##### AMERICAN LEAGUE

|              | P. | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|----|------|
| New York     | 24 | 15 | 9  | .625 |
| Cleveland    | 20 | 12 | 8  | .600 |
| Philadelphia | 24 | 12 | 12 | .500 |
| Detroit      | 21 | 10 | 11 | .476 |
| Washington   | 24 | 12 | 12 | .500 |
| Boston       | 24 | 11 | 13 | .458 |
| St. Louis    | 21 | 9  | 12 | .428 |
| Chicago      | 20 | 7  | 13 | .350 |

### K.C.C. TENNIS.

Club Tournament Continues.

The Kowloon Cricket Club Tennis Tournament was continued yesterday with the following results:

**Ladies' Handicap Singles**  
Mrs. Wilson beat Mrs. Orr, 6-1, 6-1.

**Junior Championship.**  
W. M. Gittens beat George Lee, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.

**Men's Doubles.**  
N. A. E. Mackay and F. A. Broadbridge beat D. Orr and W. Mulcahy, 6-3, 8-6.

## CRAIGENGOWER TEAM FOR TO-DAY

The following will represent Craigengower in the "C" Division league tennis fixture against the Hong Kong University to-day:  
W. J. Howard and D. J. Leonard.  
H. Howard and A. Kitchell.  
F. Broadbridge and Y. C. Mok.







## TALKIE TALKS

by  
DIANEIDA LUPINO'S HOLLYWOOD DEBUT  
IN "SEARCH FOR BEAUTY""FASHIONS IN 1934" IS PACKED WITH  
HUMOUR AND BEAUTY.

Magnificent Acting in "Lost Patrol."

"THE Lost Patrol" is not for the squeamish, but I recommend it to those who like stark tragedy and grim drama. A patrol is lost in the Mesopotamian desert. The officer is shot, and the sergeant takes command. They strike an oasis, and the first night the sentry is killed and the horses stolen. We then see the reactions on this little group of men, and you learn to know each man before he dies. The direction by John Ford is masterly, the photography of desert scenes, beautiful.

Each part is magnificently played by an almost all-British cast, with Victor McLaglen, as the sergeant, giving the best acting in his career. Boris Karloff too, as the religious zealot, is outstanding, but Douglas Walton, Wallace Ford, Brandon Hurst, Billy Bevan, Reginald Denny, J. M. Kerrigan, Alan Hale and Sammy Stein are all deserving of the highest praise. It is strong drama, which does not stoop to compromise in its relentless telling. Some may consider it too heavy, but I think it commendably courageous. (Central).

## Fashions For 1934

As the movies have exposed most "Rackets," they have now turned to the fashion experts, and in "Fashions for 1934," you need not only be interested in mannequin parades, lovely girls and stunning gowns to enjoy the film. You will find the idea a novel one, and the acting above reproach.

It is packed with beauty, sophistication and humour. The dances in the revue, arranged by Busby Berkeley, are breath-taking. To my mind, his finest work is the "Hall of Human Harps" and the Ostrich Feather ensemble.

Then, too, one gains knowledge of the inner workings of Paris stylists, with piracy and forgery in the dress-making business. William Powell, sells to competitors, sketches of gowns designed by famous designers, before they are released. He is so charming, that you find yourself forgiving him when he breaks the law.

Bette Davis, sweetly pretty and talented, is surely headed for stardom. Verree Teasdale turns in another of her grand performances, as the bogus Russian Duchess. Hugh Herbert and Frank McHugh are really funny. Warners give us a spectacular production with handsome settings, flashy gowns, and expert acting. NOT to be missed. (Queen's).

## Search For Beauty

"Search for Beauty" is nice clean fun. Two Olympic champions engage in writing and editing a beauty and health magazine, until they learn the promoters are trying to make a crooked racket out of it. They sell out for some cash and an old farm, which turns out to be a money-maker. The plot does not matter, as the film is meant to introduce the choice of Paramount Beauty Contest Winners, picked from home and abroad. The girls and boys don't have much chance to act, they merely serve as chorus to the story.

James Gleason and Robert Armstrong are the inimitable pair of crooks, but their quick-fire wisecracks are amusing. Ida Lupino, the 17-year-old British star makes her Hollywood debut as "Barbara." She is a pretty blonde, rather like Helen Twelvetrees, but is natural, and shows promise. Larry (Buster) Crabbe, the famous Olympic Swimming champion, makes the part of "Don" likeable, and he has something more to offer the screen, then merely a handsome presence. Toby Wing is the best among the support, but all help to add to the general gaiety of the proceedings, with the beauty winners putting over an attrac-



Alice Faye who appears in George White's "Scandals," which is coming to the King's Theatre at an early date.

## "I Am Suzanne"

"I am Suzanne" is the best showing made by Lillian Harvey since her Hollywood contract. Gene Raymond, a delightful lover, and the puppets are alone worth your money.

This is followed by Wheeler and Woolsey, with Thelma Todd and Dorothy Lee, in "Hips Hips Hooryay." It is quite funny in parts, and two "Ws" are deservedly popular. Then comes an outstanding film Noel Coward's, "Design for Living."

The adaptor, Ben Hecht, gives us sparkling dialogue, and rich humour, with none of the nastiness of the original. I have read Coward's play, but I did not find even one of his lines in the screen version. Miriam Hopkins and Fredrick March are not to be forgotten, and even Gary Cooper surprises. Edward Everett Horton is fine. I need say no more. To Ernest Lubitsch, the director must go the biggest bouquets, and to Ben Hecht. (Majestic).

## Murders in The Zoo

"Murders in The Zoo" is far fetched and gruesome, but relieved by Charles Ruggles in his best comedy vein, and Lionel Atwill giving his usual convincing performance as the villain.

Mary Pickford in "Secrets." I draw a veil over this performance. —but "Eskimo" which follows, is an outstanding film to my mind. Van Dyke, the director took the outfit to the frozen North, and with the aid of the natives, and a few whites (himself included as the Police Inspector) has made "Mala the Magnificent" (British title) a film that will live in my memory. Not the least attraction is the fact that it is mainly in the Eskimo language, so that you do not lose the atmosphere, and live it all. —(Oriental).

## From Broadway to Hollywood

"From Broadway to Hollywood" is due at the week-end at the "Star," Kowloon. This biographical drama, tracing the fortunes and misfortunes of a famous vaudeville family, headed by Frank Morgan and Alice Brady, has sentiment and humour, with direction by Willard Mack, an old-timer who knows his subject from A to Z. The two stars give superb performances. Madge Evans, Russell Hardie and Eddie Quillan are a few among a very large cast. Strongly advised.

## This Side of Heaven

"This Side of Heaven" describes the loyalty of a devoted family. Father, (Lionel Barrymore) gets into business difficulties, through no fault of his own. Mother (Fay

Charles Farrell and Ralph Bellamy have become partners in a real estate business.

Richard Dix will ride the famous horse, used by Valentino in "The Sheik" in the forthcoming film "Stingaree," which tells the life history of the Australian bushranger. Irene Dunne is opposite.

Constance Bennett will play the leading role in Thalberg's production of Arlen's, "Green Hat," played by Greta Garbo.

Anne Harding will act in "Biography," which Ina Claire did so successfully on the stage for Metro, and Gloria Swanson and Clark Gable have the leads in "Three Weeks." Fredrick March, Norma Shearer and Charles Laughton are in "The Barretts of Wimpole Street." All Thalberg Productions.

Jean Parker will play Katherine in the Metro Musical of "The Student Prince."

Lee Tracy having disagreed with Universal will act for Paramount in "The Lemon Drop Kid."

To be billed above the title of the film—an official mark of stardom—is an honour to be accorded to Warner Baxter and Spencer in future Fox releases.

Basil Dean who has scored a marvellous hit with his screen version of "The Constant Nymph" will direct Elizabeth Allan in one British film before she returns to Hollywood.

Marie Dressler and Wallace Beery will do a companion picture to "Tugboat Annie," to be called "Any Port in a Storm."

John Francis Dillon, the Hollywood director, whose film "Call Her Savage" which was Clara Bow's come-back talkie, recently died at the early age of 47.

Mrs. Gary Cooper lunches daily at the Metro Studio where her husband is acting with Marian Davies in "Operator 13."

Lillian Harvey has smoothed out her quarrel with Fox, and signed up for two years.

## I'm Telling You

Ida Lupino, the 17-year-old daughter of the famous comedian, Stanley Lupino, is a star in British films, and Paramount, who are paying her the large salary of \$150 a week, intend grooming her for a similar position in Hollywood. She had not much scope in "Search for Beauty," but in "Come on Marines" her second release there is decided promise. She is no longer a golden blonde, but with her natural shade of brunette shows to better advantage. Her name is being linked very much with Jack La Rue. Ida lives with her mother in a gorgeous Beverly Hills Mansion, and is among the most successful of hostesses.

## Short Shots

Helen Hayes will start work on Barrie's masterpiece, "What Every Woman Knows," as soon as she finishes her stages run of "Mary Queen of Scots." Miriam Hopkins is another screen favourite who has won further renown on Broadway. She has now returned to Paramount and "She Loves Me Not" will be her next film.

Paramount will co-star Gary Cooper and Claudette Colbert in "Twenty Hours by Air."

Heather Angel adores animals and took two of her cats with her to Hollywood. She is living with her mother and sister and a collection of animals in a lovely home in Beverly Hills.

Mary Ellis, the piquant charming American for whom "Rose Marie" was written and which she played for years, is most versatile. Besides being one of the leading sopranos at the New York Metropolitan Opera, she played on the stage in London the lead in "Strange Interlude" and "Music in the Air." Now she is at work with Conrad Veidt in the British film, of Robert Hichens' famous novel, "Bella Donna."

Constance Cummings has stage yearnings. Is at present on holiday with her author husband, Benn Levy, in London.

I hope Irving Pichel will play the leading part in the talkie version of Lon Chaney's immortal "Hunchback of Notre Dame." I have not forgotten how well this actor portrayed the half-witted cripple in "Murder by the Clock."

## NUDIST FILM TO BE CENSORED

Council Replies To Hon.  
Mr. Braga's Queries."BACK TO NATURE"  
BY JAN GAY

That no applications had been received by the Inspector General of Police, for the screening in Hong Kong of the film, "Back to Nature," and that it would not be shown unless it passed the local censorship, were the replies given to the questions by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, at the Legislative Council meeting yesterday.

His Excellency, the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., presided and others present were: Officer Commanding the Troops (Brigadier G. B. Rowan Hamilton, D.S.O., M.C.).

The Colonial Secretary, (Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, K.C.M.G., C.M.G.).

The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. R. E. Lindell).

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith).

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. E. Taylor).

The Inspector General of Police (Hon. Mr. T. H. King).

The Harbour Master (Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., retired).

The Director of Medical and Sanitary Services (Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, C.M.G.).

The Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson).

Hon. Sir William Shenton, Kt., Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D.

Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Hon. Mr. S. W. T'o, O.B.E., L.L.D.

Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau,

Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell,

Mr. R. A. C. North (Clerk of Councils).

The oath of allegiance was taken by the Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell.

Nudist Film Banning.

Hon. J. P. Braga, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:

1. Will the Honourable the Inspector General of Police state whether any application has been received for the screening in Hong Kong of the film "Back to Nature,"

sponsored by Miss Jan Gay, and based on her book "On Going Naked"?

2. If such application has been received, will the Honourable Member define the attitude of his department and of the Film Censor Board towards the proposal to screen the film in question?

3. Will the Inspector General of Police take effective steps to ban the film in Hong Kong?

Hon. Mr. T. H. King, acting Inspector General of Police replied as under:

1. The answer is in the negative.

2. Does not arise.

3. Should any application for screening this film in Hong Kong be received the Inspector General of Police will take all possible steps to ensure that it is not released for exhibition to the public, unless it has passed the Hong Kong censorship in accordance with Regulation 57 of the Regulations under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance, 1919.

Four Bills Passed:

Four Bills, introduced respectively "An Ordinance to amend the law relating to Opium," "An Ordinance to regulate the entry and departure of persons into or out of the Colony, to prohibit the entry of undesirable immigrants and to confer various powers in connection therewith," "An Ordinance to amend the Miscellaneous Licences, Ordinance, 1933," and "An Ordinance for the Incorporation of the Trustees of the China Fleet Club" passed through their final stages.

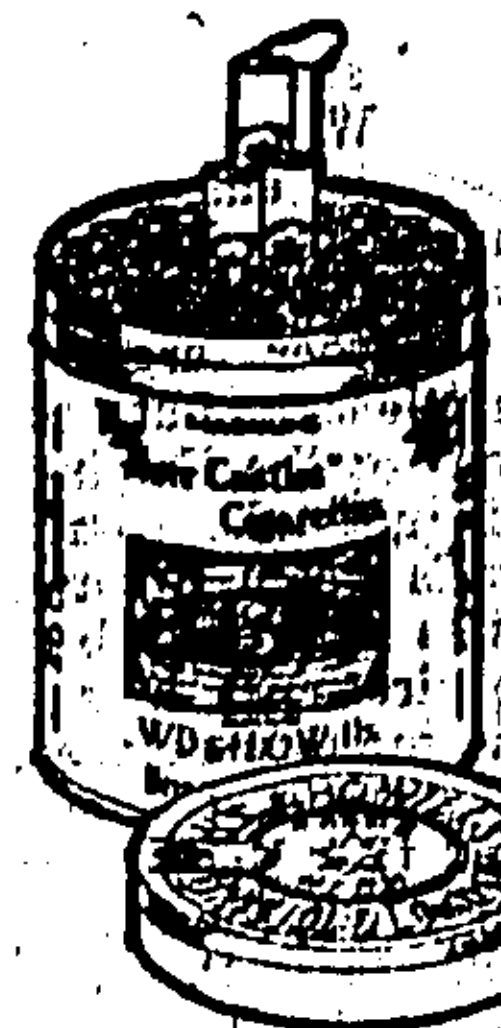
\$2,200 ROBBERY  
CHARGE.Dockyard Policeman  
Discharged.

Charged before Mr. Justice Jacks in the Supreme Court yesterday with robbery, of \$2,200 in money from Sher Mohammed, a policeman in the Royal Naval Dockyard, Li Ling, alias Tan Ngan-tsai, 31 was found not guilty and discharged.

The following Jury heard the case: Messrs. G. F. Walker (Foreman), Tsai Kam-ling, D. G. Wilson, Wong Yiu-sang, D. J. McColgan, Chun Kon-chee and Chung Wah-hi.



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## The China Mail

Hong Kong, Friday, May 18, 1934.

### Intra-Empire Trade.

Out of the welter, the dis-  
appointments, and the distress  
which appear on every hand to-  
day, we must trust that all  
things are working together for  
good. Just as the distress of a  
century ago was followed by an  
outburst of production and trade  
and improvement in living con-  
ditions through all the strata of  
society, so we should hope that  
the distress which the world has  
suffered during the last three  
years is the prelude to an acti-  
vity similar to that which took  
place a century ago, and on a  
larger scale, as befits a more  
populous earth.

What is so necessary is to ap-  
preciate the other man's point of  
view and his reasons for holding  
that view. Why has Britain, the  
heart of the Empire, turned  
away from Imperial trade and  
adopted the doctrine of national  
self-sufficiency? First, she found  
the countries which owe their  
origin to her venturesome sons  
turning themselves more and  
more resolutely to self-suffi-  
ciency, while at the same time  
expecting the motherland to take  
in the way of primary products  
whatever was sent her. The  
selling market of Great Britain  
was closing, the buying market  
was expected to keep as open as  
ever. Trade is threatening to  
become unbalanced with no  
means of paying for British  
goods sent to the other nations  
of the Empire except by way of  
capital investment in those coun-  
tries. Also, the weakening of  
the British navy has caused Brit-  
ain to fear for her food supply  
should she be engaged in another  
war. Why should she not take  
steps to ensure a possible food  
supply from her own land should  
overseas supplies be cut off?

It is another argument for self-  
sufficiency. But the other na-  
tions of the Empire say, "If you  
will not take from us the food-  
stuffs which we produce in quan-  
tities so greatly beyond our own  
requirements, how are we to pay  
the interest on the money which  
in years past you lent to us?"  
And the British Ministers who  
carry out the all-sufficient policy  
find that there are difficulties  
they never dreamed of, and that  
the consumer, however much he  
may be in favour of home pro-  
duce, has to be considered. One  
of the measures taken is for the  
purpose of ensuring an adequate  
supply of home-grown bacon.  
As a result, pigs of all conditions  
and sizes have been raised, giv-  
ing a bacon to which the con-  
sumer objects, in that much of it  
is either too fat or its sides too  
short.

Claiming as the nations of the

Empire do to-day an inherent  
right to influence their own pro-  
duction and their own trade as  
each considers proper, they have  
no claim to demand of the  
motherland the terms on which  
their products shall be admitted  
thither. Australia for instance  
may not consider Britain to be  
acting wisely in the steps she is  
taking. They may consider that  
in restricting her imports into  
the home country Britain is act-  
ing against her own best inter-  
ests as a creditor country; but  
that is entirely her business. As  
a democratic country her rulers,  
placed in power by the votes of  
the people, must pay first atten-  
tion to what her people demand  
of them. The difficulties of  
Britain in arranging terms to  
suit all her customers—for she  
has good customers outside the  
Empire as well as within it—are  
but a reflex of some of the de-  
mands made with regard to the  
trade of Australia. The indus-  
trial expansion of Japan has con-  
tributed to the recovery of Aus-  
tralia through the power which  
Japan has thereby attained to  
purchase Australian wool. Ex-  
perience will in the long run  
prove to the people that there is  
a great deal in international  
sufficiency. Freer trade between  
all nations, through the encour-  
agement which it will give to  
each country to bring forth most  
efficiently the products for which  
it is naturally adapted by soil  
and situation, will lead to a high-  
er standard of living, especially  
among wage-earners and other  
people of small or moderate  
means.

### Britain In The Air.

The possibilities of the holiday  
in the air is greatly in evidence  
in England to-day. There were  
more cars on the road, heavy  
bookings on the railways, and  
additional cruises; but at the  
same time an increasing number  
are travelling by aeroplane. This  
is a most significant develop-  
ment. It inaugurates a season  
which will see a tremendous ex-  
pansion of air travel in England  
not for holidays alone but for  
business purposes. The theory  
that Great Britain was too small  
to enjoy a comprehensive sys-  
tem of air lines has been for ever  
exploded.

Last year there were only  
some 600 miles of internal air  
lines. This year 8,600 miles of  
new routes are projected, apart  
from the joint scheme of the  
railways and Imperial Airways  
which will add something like  
1,000 miles more. Thus between  
one season and the next the total  
mileage for regular aeroplane  
services will have increased  
eightfold.

## HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

### Hider And The Saar

The German Government, have  
given a prompt denial to the story,  
published in the Danish Politiken  
that Herr Anton Scherer, an alleged  
deputy-leader of the Nazi Party in  
the Saar, was reported to have said  
that "after the plebiscite in 1935  
his party would take exemplary  
vengeance on its opponents." He  
had asked Herr Hitler for a free  
hand for 48 hours and "unfor-  
tunately the leader had given only  
24."

The story comes from anti-Ger-  
man sources abroad. Herr Anton  
Scherer, the German Government  
say, delivered no such speech made  
no demand for a free hand to Hitler  
and therefore received no answer.

A recent order, issued by Colonel  
Roehm, urges Nazi Storm-Troopers  
in the Saar not to yield to provoca-  
tion by foreign agents. He warns  
them that every excess will be treat-  
ed as an act of treachery and the  
perpetrators punished when the pro-  
vince returns to Germany.

### Those Were The Days

In Georgia—the Stalin, not the  
"Peaches" country—every man who  
owned a few sheep used to be a  
prince.

To-day there are not so many  
sheep, and most of the princes are  
tramcar conductors.

Recently, two Georgian emigres  
were bemoaning their past great-  
ness in a Paris cafe. One said, "Do  
you remember the old Romanoff  
days, and my palace in Tiflis, with  
its thousand rooms?" "Yes," replied  
the other. "And do you remember  
the old Romanoff days and my coun-  
try house with its 5000 servants?"  
A Russian who was sitting at  
the next table, and whose ancestors  
were Crusaders when the Georgians  
were still skulking in the jungle,  
turned to his dog, a little Pekinese,  
and said, "Ginko, old man, you too  
must remember those glorious Ro-  
manoff days when you were a great  
big St. Bernard."

### Your Daily Smile!

Lady customer: "What a wicked  
parrot! It must have been kept  
on board a ship." Dealer: "No,  
mum, in a garage."

Foreman: "You must not smoke  
at work." Labourer: "Who's work-  
ing?"

"He: "At last we're out of  
debt." She: "Oh, thank good-  
ness! Now I can get credit  
again."

The Surly Bird Catches the Germ  
"Dull and morose people seldom  
resist disease as easily as those  
with a cheerful disposition," says a  
doctor.

Kissing: Sincerest form of  
flattery.

Barter  
The American dentist accepts  
farm produce in lieu of cash for  
professional services. One patient  
arrived with two chickens and a cow.

Schoolboy Howler: "Buttery—a  
place where goats are kept."

The Parent: "I never told lies  
when I was a boy." Young Hope-  
ful: "When did you begin,  
father?"

Social Aspirant: "I saw Mrs.  
Blueblood in 'Queen Street.'  
Friend: "How was she looking?"  
"Right past me."

Hymen: Most women long for a  
tall husband.

Bridegroom: "Have you kissed  
the bride? Best Man (absently):  
"Oh, yes, scores of times."

come thoroughly air-minded. Re-  
cently thousands of people were  
given free air trips at the Berlin  
central aerodrome with this ob-  
ject in view. Commercial air  
expansion at home will incite  
air-mindedness, and will encour-  
age aero-engineers to develop  
engine-speeds. For that reason  
it is important as a contribution  
towards the attainment of that  
pressing need—a strong Air  
Force for Great Britain.

## WHY GREAT NATIONS FADE AWAY CANKER OF TOO MUCH BUREAUCRACY

### ENTERPRISE STIFLED

(By Sir Flinders Petrie.)

THE more intelligent a nation is,  
the less it needs to be told what  
to do; the less inspection it requires,  
the less dictation it needs on de-  
tails.

The history of the last 8,000  
years, as it tells its tale to  
archaeologists the world over,  
proves this beyond dispute.

The tragedies of these dead and  
gone civilisations lie in the fact  
that recognition of this truism did  
not come in time to save them from  
disintegration. Are we to go the  
same way? Sometimes I fear that  
we shall.

The growth of Socialism, with  
its inevitable development of offi-  
cialdom, is, to my mind, the writ-  
ing on the wall.

Let us take one of the more re-  
cent examples of the death of a  
civilisation through the canker of  
an overloaded bureaucracy.

### Mass of Rules

In ancient Rome administrators  
were merely the household slaves  
of the early emperors; every ques-  
tion, even in the provinces, went  
up to the emperor for decision.  
But when Diocletian shaped a  
vast bureaucratic system, society  
went entirely to pieces in less than  
two centuries.

The glory that was Rome dis-  
appeared and her civilisation  
counted for nothing.

I have no quarrel with any of-  
ficial. I realise that nobody knows  
better than the official that the  
more fact of his officialdom does  
not inspire him with unlimited  
wisdom.

It is obvious that the mental  
outlook of being bound by a mass  
of fixed rules, often quite in-  
applicable, and being judged, not  
by success, but by blind obedience  
to those rules, is most injurious to  
any except the strongest mentality.

It sets up a false standard of  
conduct. It tends to paralyse  
thought. Mere memory alone is  
wanted, and few men can resist  
the deadly influence of the loss of  
individual responsibility.

Modern conditions necessitate  
any ordered Government entrust-  
ing the welfare of a country to a  
large body of officials.

It is inevitable that in the place  
of men of sharp wits who know  
that they must succeed or go  
under shall be administrators who  
are there to obey a code of rules  
and who, no matter what the re-  
sults, will be blameless—so long  
as they have obeyed.

Let us see what follows the  
growth of officialdom which is in-  
separable from the expansion of  
State management, so glowingly  
pictured by so-called Socialists in  
their propaganda.

It means monopoly of power,  
both material and spiritual—that  
is, dictatorship by the head of the  
bureaucracy—if we carry the in-  
crease of officialdom to the logical  
conclusions.

For that reason we must fight  
against the growth of bureaucracy  
as we would resist any other form  
of insidious national disease.

A monopoly of any kind,  
whether of dictation or of labour,  
is a fungus on the tree of national  
life, eating into its strength in-  
visibly until in a storm of trouble  
the tree is bound to fall without a  
hope of recovery.

The blind faith of the nine-  
teenth century in "counting  
heads" has now been largely re-

placed in the world by the dicta-  
torship of "ordered" Governments.  
Such a rule must necessarily be  
framed in accord with the ability  
and energy of the people governed.  
The more arbitrary and compre-  
hensive it is, the more it will  
sterilise the mind.

### Those Who Differ

The ultimate example is the  
Soviet system, where the dictator  
is the sole receiver of all produce  
of labour and the sole dispenser  
of the means of life.

The extreme of this break-  
periodically, and yields somewhat  
to individual management.

It requires a larger number of  
officials than any other system, as  
the produce has to be seized in  
detail by the Government so as to  
secure enough to distribute.

Working among people not ac-  
customed to initiative, it has a  
better chance than it would have  
elsewhere, but it seems very doubt-  
ful whether it can maintain the  
official machine without destroying  
the individual life.

To succeed, it must paralyse  
thought in the nation. It has had  
to suppress this symptom by kill-  
ing off all who differ from the  
dictator.

Italy has produced a far more  
successful result in Fascism.  
There "private enterprise is most  
efficient and useful in the interest  
of the nation," as officially declared.  
The telephone service has been  
improved by transfer from the  
State to a company.

The regulation of business be-  
gins in framing voluntary com-  
binations in trades.

All in a trade must pull to-  
gether, master and men; if they  
differ, they cannot stop work, but  
must refer to a court for a judicial  
decision.

The people have shown their  
good sense by coming to terms in  
almost all cases, and the courts  
have less than one in a hundred of  
the disputes.

Each trade seems to manage its  
own affairs with the minimum of  
officialism, and the system costs  
only a day's wage in the year for  
maintenance.

This perhaps, yields the best re-  
sult for Italy, mainly under Lon-  
bard orderliness; the discontented  
residue is seen in deported thou-  
sands, in Rhodes, in Sardinia, in  
convenient islands, for nothing  
may stand in the way of the  
system.

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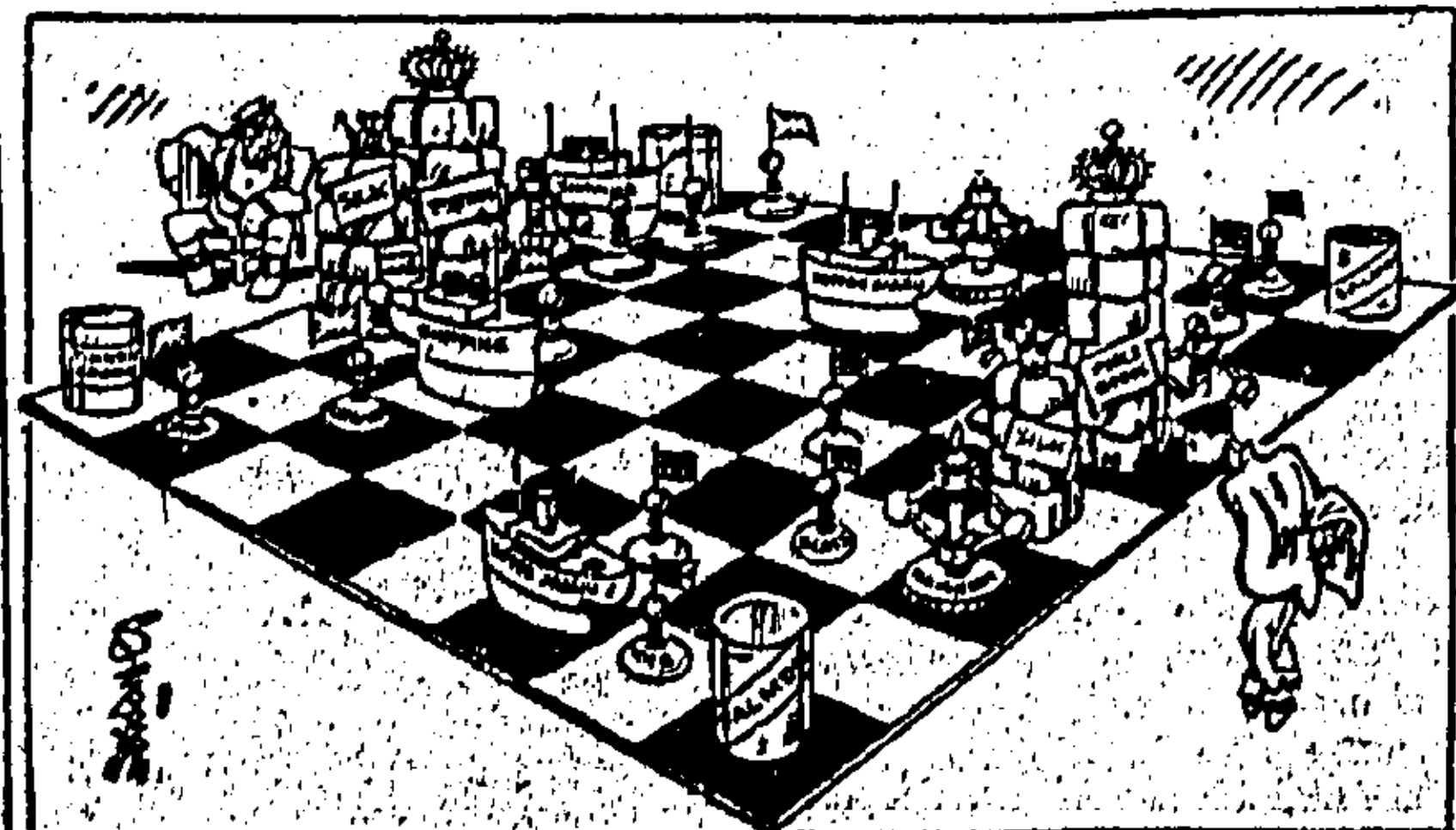
## SEVEN YEARS FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

### 1932 Murder Charge Sequel.

Charged at the Criminal  
Sessions yesterday with the mur-  
der of Li Mau-san, at Castle Peak  
on October 18, 1932, Li San was  
found guilty of manslaughter and  
sentenced to seven years' hard  
labour by His Honour the Chief  
Justice, Mr. A. D. A. McGregor.

The following jury was em-  
panelled:—Messrs. B. Carbone,  
A. Grossart, E. M. Castro, A. C. da  
Silva and J. G. C. Sommer.

Mr. Tycho Wing, instructed by  
Mr. C. Y. Kwan, appeared for the  
defence, and Mr. J. A. Fraser,  
Assistant Attorney General, pro-  
secuted.



SAPAJOU in the N. C. D. News.

## ANOTHER INTERNATIONAL CONTEST.



## CONSERVATIVE POLICY OF THE DOUGLAS COY.

Dividend Payment  
Deferred.

### CONCENTRATION ON INCREASED TONNAGE

#### Uncertain Outlook

Although the profit realised in the Company's earnings during the past year was an improvement over recent years, it was unanimously decided at the fifty-first ordinary general meeting of the Douglas Steamship Company, Ltd., held at the Company's offices at noon to-day, to defer payment of a dividend and to consider the acquisition of further tonnage.

Mr. S. T. Williamson, who presided, referred to the unfortunate mishaps which occurred to the Company's steamers, s.s. Haining and m.v. Svalde during the year, and stated that the s.s. Seistan had been chartered to take the place of the m.v. Svalde on the Hong Kong and Swatow run.

Those present at the meeting were, Mr. S. T. Williamson (Chairman), the Hon. Sir William Shenton and the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie (Members of the Consulting Committee), Mr. C. L. Farmer (Secretary) and Messrs. T. Ramsay, Wong Ping-sum, Chau Wing-keu and N. V. A. Croucher (Shareholders).

#### Chairman's Speech.

In his report for the year the Chairman said:

"While the Consulting Committee and General Managers are very pleased that the Accounts now laid before you show an improvement in the Company's earnings for recent years, they consider it would not be prudent to recommend the declaration of a dividend for the year under review, as serious consideration must be given to the acquisition of further tonnage in the near future, if the Company is to maintain its position on the China Coast, against the increasing competition and difficulties which have to be contended with."

"Notwithstanding the troublesome times existing last year, especially in the Fukien Province, there was a gratifying improvement in the Steamers' earnings during the first half of the year, but since then a decided falling off in passengers and cargo business has been experienced, and I regret to state that these abnormal conditions still continue."

#### Local Securities.

"It will be seen from the Accounts that the sum of \$256,360 has been written off for depreciation, which is considered advisable under existing conditions. It will be noted from the Balance Sheet

### GIRL BOUGHT WHEN 7 DAYS OLD

\$1,500 Bail Granted  
To Accused.

Lo Yue-hin, a shop foki, of No. 3 Mau Hing Lane, and a Chinese woman, Mau Lam, were charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, with the transaction of a minor, the object of which was to transfer the possession of a 4-year-old girl.

Sub-Inspector Fraser stated that the child is the adopted daughter of Lo's kept woman, and that the girl was bought when she was seven days old for the sum of \$10.

The case was remanded until Tuesday afternoon. Bail of \$1,000 was allowed to the man, and \$500 to the woman.

### COURT PRAISE FOR MR. SALTIER.

Summons Against  
Car Driver.

Tam Ho, driver of private car No. 2868, was also fined \$10, for overtaking a moving vehicle within a controlled area in Cause Road.

Mr. Saltier, at whose instance the summons against Tam was drawn, stated that he was driving in the opposite direction when Tam overtook another car, and he had to apply his brake.

Mr. Hamilton expressed his appreciation to Mr. Saltier for calling attention to the incident.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Local Girl Desires  
Film Fame.

### THE QUALITIES ESSENTIAL

[To the Editor, "China Mail"]

Enclosed is a letter I received yesterday from an aspiring young lady who signs her name, "Doris." The tone and character of her letter is a facsimile of a great many that I have received in the past years. It reads as follows and I shall endeavour to answer "Doris" to the best of my ability:

My dear Miss London:

I am very anxious to become a screen actress, although my father and mother are very much against my doing so. My parents think that theatrical people are rather inclined to be indiscreet, although I have met a great many of them and they always seem to fascinate me.

I am eighteen years old and have blonde hair and blue eyes. I weigh one hundred and eighteen pounds. Amateur theatricals have always appealed to me and I have played in several. I swim, ride, and play golf tennis. They say that I am pretty. Are these accomplishments enough to help me in a career?

Please answer my letter.

Lovingly,

"DORIS."

### BABE LONDON'S REPLY

My Dear Doris:

I have your letter before me here as I write you, and, although it is rather vague, and aside from that, having never seen you, it is rather difficult for me to answer. Nevertheless, the advice that I have to offer you is sincere, and I earnestly hope that it will be of some help to you and your cherished desire.

I consider that the most valuable assets any young girl can possibly have if she is determined upon a screen career, are as follows:

Natural beauty, refinement, personality and character. When I say natural beauty, I don't mean the kind that comes in a jar. The girl that gets out of bed looking like nothing on earth, and then in a few minutes becomes a drug store Garbo is not so alluring after she has done a few desert scenes out in the blistering sun. It is then that her beauty goes the way of all flesh, but a girl that has natural beauty will always look pretty and charming under the most trying conditions. That is the type of girl that the casting directors want.

In the old days refinement in show business was inclined to be sneered upon and the hard-boiled "Ham" was the reigning king or queen, but to-day it is entirely different. A girl that has a certain amount of refinement and poise can always put it to good use. A College girl has every essential, to my way of thinking, and I advise you to continue on with your schooling first and gather as much knowledge as you possibly can.

Elinor Glyn best describes personality as "IT" if you have that, half your battle is won.

Maintain character above everything else. Of course there are some girls who cheapen themselves for a career. I will admit that they do have a little flare of success, but what you do and how you have conducted yourself in the past, will in time tell. A good girl can always remain such if she chooses to, and she can get there too. It depends upon the girl. Norma Shearer is one girl whose character is above reproach. She has made a success of her marriage, and as an artist she is as finished as any of the others. She is a credit to the picture industry.

Now I will not say to stay away from Hollywood, because I know that to-day there are thousands of Garbo's and Pickford's who, if given a chance, would in all probability reach stardom. But it is a gamble, and, if you go, remember to have your pockets well lined for two or three years and your trunk well filled with street and evening frocks. The competition in Hollywood is very keen and beauty is a nickel a quart. In fact, many of the extra girls are

## COMPLETE ACCORD IN PRINCIPLE

Draft Convention To  
Be Studied To-day.

(Continued from page 1.)

London, To-day.

After the earnest appeal by the British delegate, Captain Anthony Eden, all members of the League Council have agreed in principle to accept an embargo on the export of all arms to Bolivia and Paraguay, who are now engaged in hostilities. A draft convention embodying his proposal will be considered to-day.

Concluding his speech, Captain Eden said it might be that in some cases the Governments had not, at this moment, the necessary powers to put the embargo into effect. Where this is so, the British Government trusted that it might be found possible to take necessary legislative action as an emergency measure.

### STRICTER CONTROL

Captain Eden also recalled that in the report of the League Commission on the dispute the view was expressed that neighbouring countries, more especially if the two belligerents refuse to accept a honourable and just settlement, should exercise stricter control over the transit of traffic as a complement to the control that other nations should exercise over certain exports.

"To these countries," said Captain Eden, "I would address a special appeal to forbid the transit of war supplies across their territories to Bolivia and Paraguay."

### SENSELESS LOSS OF LIFE

"The senseless loss of life, the utterly unjustifiable imposition of human suffering and the meaningless destruction of the best resources in men and material of these countries have already endured far too long."

"I do most heartily urge upon the Council to seize this opportunity of bringing them to an end. It is at once our privilege and our responsibility to do so. Let us therefore determine to take this first step and take it to-day," he concluded.—British Wireless Service.

more beautiful than a great many of the stars and dress just as smartly.

And as I said before, if you are a good gambler and willing to take a chance,.....then, Go!!!!

With best wishes for your success,

BABE LONDON.

[Babe London has just returned to Hong Kong after a successful season in Shanghai where she appeared at the "Little Club," singing songs written exclusively for her by her husband, Mr. Patrick H. Burnette Jr.]

### "A Minute A Day With Burns."

[To the Editor, "China Mail"]

Sir,—Some months ago I published "Rithers A Minute A Day with Burns, Poet, Prophet and Lover of Brotherhood," 1st, as an unillustrated book, 2nd as an illustrated book with 120 illustrations. A third edition will be published within the next week or two.

A feature of the book was appreciations of Burns by great men. May I ask your readers for references to Burns by such as Spurgeon, John Bright, Moody, John McNeil, John Morley, Cardinal Newman, Disraeli, Lord Salisbury, and as great a variety of men in different ranks of life as possible and representative great men from all British Colonies and other countries. Burns must have been spoken of and referred to by an extraordinary number of men who had large influence in public affairs. These references are for the most part scattered in their various writings and to have them concentrated in one volume would be appreciated by many Burns admirers.

As a mark of appreciation for trouble, I would be pleased to forward a copy of "Rithers A Minute A Day with Burns" to any of your readers who could supply suitable references to Burns that would be of interest other than those I have already received. Address to: Peter Esslemont, Queen Street, Aberdeen, Scotland. PETER ESSELMONT. Aberdeen, April 15, 1934.

## To-day's Short Story.

# FELIPE

By Peter  
Fleming.

THERE was no glass in the windows of the prison. With an effort—for a month's confinement had wasted his strength—Felipe hoisted himself up by the bars till his elbows rested on the broad sill and his feet dangled clear of the ground. The sun was just up, but there was no one yet in the square except four Indians boiling coffee and eating their eternal leathery tortillas under the florid portico of the Teatro Nacional, where no one ever acted plays. Munching, their flat, bony faces contemplated without resentment, pleasure, or any sort of curiosity the new and shining day. Felipe lowered himself to the ground.

"This time to-morrow," he thought.

He was going to be shot to-morrow, for killing the President. He had also, but without malice, killed the President's wife's brother, a nasty little man, whom everyone disliked. His judges had almost commended him for that; in the old days they might have let him off altogether, especially as the new President was an amiable, well-spoken man, and had promised to build a public racecourse in his park, though the horses of Carrayala were notoriously neither fleet nor emulous. But nowadays it was different; nowadays people minded terribly about the look of things. This was because of the Americans who came to Carrayala and talked very seriously about civic ideals and law and order, perhaps because they could not talk very seriously about them at home.

Felipe yawned. He noticed with pride that it was a sleepy yawn, and not a nervous yawn.

Carrayala City is 5000 feet above sea-level, and you sleep badly with no glass in the window, because of the cold. He looked listlessly round the cell. Tomas the sentry was asleep on the floor outside; you could hear his snores, and a little scratching noise as some buckle on his heaving stomach rubbed against the door. Tomas slept practically all the time and was far the most reliable of the guards; he would lie down in a strategic position and sleep for hours on end, instead of drinking, or losing money to the prisoners at pachuca, or being too

brutal to them, or too friendly. Felipe knew that it was a compliment to have that stertorous lump of oblivion outside his door; it showed his importance.

His importance mattered a great deal to Felipe. He had a keen sense of the dramatic, partly innate, and partly acquired from the films. There was a picture-house in Carrayala, named by its American manager, more aptly than he knew, after the all-conquering Cortes; they changed the programme twice a week, which was quite enough for Felipe, who knew a good thing when he saw one, and never minded seeing it again.

### TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Passing Of Chantle The Curlew," by Alan Sullivan.

It was this sense of the dramatic that had sustained Felipe since his arrest, and was indeed partly responsible for making him an assassin. He had had a hard time. His own trial had been comparatively short, and he had been too joyously preoccupied with cutting a good figure to be greatly bothered by the reality of its implications.

But for days afterwards, before a lamentably reduced audience, they had put him through a cross-examination about Flores. Flores, Felipe's accomplice, was a dangerous man, with a habit of doing dangerous things: They wanted his blood much more than they wanted Felipe's. The new President looked like a good investment, but with Flores about any President was more of a speculation than an investment.

However, Flores had been first over the wall at the end of the Palace gardens; and he was not the man to lose a lead. So they cross-questioned Felipe with spasmodic brutality, having learnt something of third-degree methods from Rivers, now second-in-command of the Carrayala army, but once an East-side politician in New York, and many other things besides: as dirty a worker as you could wish to find.

Felipe, who had secretly disliked Flores a great deal and feared him more, endured all this in a way that surprised them. He did not look to be—and was not—made of very stern stuff; and they did not realise that they were dealing, not with a weak man, but with a fat part. Felipe, who could not, even in his law-abiding days, walk down the street, or order a drink, or enter a room unhistorically, now found himself intoxicatingly translated to a leading role. Calling for no very subtle interpretation, the part was built up of those broad theatrical effects which were the common currency of Felipe's imagination. His situation struck him as an opportunity rather than a predicament. He gave a workmanlike performance.

But there had come moments, lately, when he had been near the breaking-point. The hard, familiar faces of his judges, the soiled and tiresome splendour of the room they sat in—here was no gallery worth playing to; and Felipe was gradually reduced, as in the old days, to applauding, unaided, his own performance. Never, be it said, did he come to doubt the discernment of that faithful claque which had always so enjoyed his progress down the street, his ordering of a drink, or his self-esteem felt the need of reinforcement from outside; he yearned for the limelight, and thought wistfully of his trial, remembering the thrilled femininity of the back benches.

And so it came curiously about that he began to look forward to his execution. That, he knew, would be a public event; it had considerably been fixed for a Sunday. Everyone would be there. Felipe was delighted when he heard they were going to clean out the market square; this had never, to his knowledge, been done before, though the Indians, who came there to chatter once a week, sometimes carried loads of litter away with them when conditions got too bad. He began to visualise the scene, and in time built up a picture of it in minute

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## FELIPE

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detail, a brilliant piece of imaginative realism. This picture was never far from his mind: he saw it always when he went to sleep, and would sometimes add, from the sweepings of his dreams, a face, a shadow, or a bit of colour to the crowded canvas. There were times when he almost forgot on which side of the grave he stood, and would gloat, as if in retrospect, over the staging of his death.

He hardly knew whether he was looking back or forward on that sun-drenched scene—the crowds packing three sides of the square: the important families, in their traditional Sunday black, filling the front ranks, a sombre and impressive margin to the flashy, American-made clothes of the smaller townspeople; at the back the rich and exquisite rags of the Indians; a few shrill, excited little boys perched among the stucco machicolations of the Post Office, a magnificent building.

He heard, as though from some distance, the murmurous swell of talk: the loud—but surely perfunctory, impatient?—cheers as the President and his people filed awkwardly on to the narrow balcony of the Teatro Nacional; and then the sudden hush, the barked commands, the tramp of feet, as his escort swung out of the Calle de Verano. The last picture of all was the most vivid. Himself, slim, erect, with eyes bandaged and a smile upon his lips, against a white wall (he could feel its warmth and roughness against his knuckles) twenty paces away from the firing party in their dark green uniforms: for some reason they seemed squat, foreshortened, ignominious little figures, as though stunted by the pressure of the crowd's dislike. Again a bark: complete silence, with only the wheezing pigeon's clatter to emphasize, not break it. And then...

A great sigh went up from the crowd. Above his crumpled, but not ungraceful, corpse a little cloud of dust hung in the air, where the bullets had struck the plaster. There was a curtain for you! With that in prospect, the painful longeurs of the third act hardly mattered. It never occurred to Felipe that he was being brave. Though he knew that the crumpled figure had exhaled in courage, it did not occur to him that it was his courage. In fact, Felipe had to all intents and purposes ceased to exist: he had lost touch with himself. Now, as he stood listlessly on the dirty prison floor, he was thinking of himself in terms of the cell, not of the cell in terms of himself. Reality had slipped away into the wings. Felipe stood up-styge and bayed the limelight, unappalled.

Presently Tomas came in, bringing breakfast, also some water to wash in; Felipe, something of a dandy, had created a precedent in the prison by demanding it. Breakfast normally consisted of half a dozen tortillas impaled on a dirty stick and a tin mug of good coffee (coffee in Carrayala is always good). To-day there was something extra.

"Frijoles," said Tomas; he was one of those men who seem to have a grudge against their voice, the words they use, and human speech in general; but this morning his growl was not unlikely. He unwrapped a piece of newspaper, dis-

closing a dark, shapeless lump, of the colour and consistency of peat. Frijoles are black beans, pulped into a kind of pungent relish.

"A thousand thanks," Tomas, cried Felipe, genuinely delighted, and lapsing unconsciously into the grand manner. Even the suppers were coming up to scratch; the kindly Golear.

Tomas stared at his prisoner with remote, blue-eyed curiosity, grunted and went heavily out. Always easily puzzled by small things, he could not understand why he had been called Senor; it worried him.

Felipe enjoyed his breakfast; the tortillas were quite hot, not stiff and cold as usual. He smeared them with frijoles and munched vigorously, regretting only that Tomas had left him no opening for a speech of thanks.

Presently they came and fetched him for the last cross-examination. He marched between eight carabinieri out through the prison patio, up the street, then to the lift, and in, by the side door, to the Ministry of Agriculture. Though he had done this every day for over a fortnight, he still savoured the random publicity of the short journey, and could have kicked the soldier on the left of the leading file who spoilt the picture by getting out of step. The sun was high now, and there was a fair sprinkling of passers-by.

They all gaped satisfactorily, and made sibilant, excited comments: except the Indians, who loomed by at their curious gliding trot with only an oblique flicker of interest in their eyes, unable to turn their heads because the perilously tall loads on their backs were balanced by a coloured strap across their temples.

Waiting outside the room where they examined him, Felipe had a momentary qualm; he was afraid they would make a special effort to-day to find out about Flores. He felt suddenly weary, and was peevishly aware that the frijoles had given him indigestion: this he considered a most unnecessary and incongruous trick for fate to play on him, and so indeed it was.

At last a command was shouted from inside the room. A sentry flung open the folding doors, and the escort marched in under the outrageous heraldry of the Carrayan coat of arms.

The long room was filled with an ominous yellow light, like that sometimes precedes a thunderstorm; sickly, moth-eaten blinds had been drawn down against the sun. At the far end, behind a table with an imitation marble top, sat the committee of judges. Seeing them, Felipe got the shock for which he realised, he had instinctively been waiting. There had always been four: to-day there were five.

The Minister of Agriculture was there, though it was doubtful if even he could have told you why; a man immensely fat, and constantly sweating; a great talker, and always on every committee, where his presence was tolerated because he had a knack of eventually getting things done, and because he was a good fellow.

Miguel Diaz was there—a dry, talented little lawyer; very thorough for a Latin American, but never able to convince himself that he had been thorough enough, and therefore dilatory and often depressed. One of his ears stuck out much more than the other, because of his habit of plucking it forward when he was thinking.

Rivers was there, a man with a big jowl and truculent eyes. He wore his uniform badly and talked Spanish without attempting the accent; but this was all part of his truculence. He had the swagger of the bully, not the dandy. He smoked puros, the rank native cigars, and spat without artistry. There was a signet ring on one of his fingers; he usually said he killed an Englishman for it in Rio, but there were several other stories, all good.

The fourth was Juan de la Torre who called himself a lawyer; he was the weakest man there and the cruelest. His face was handsome in a flaccid, sensual fashion, but marked by the smallpox. He wore a high, stiff collar, having scarred the back of his neck with some chemical, while trying to dye his hair. He used scent, but sat as far as possible from Rivers, who had told him not to.

These four, though Rivers was often absent, had been Felipe's inquisitors. Now there a fifth man at the table. Felipe stared at him curiously.

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## Lindbergh Suspect



Hope for a solution of the Lindbergh kidnap-murder is revived by arrest of "Saw" Donnelly, notorious American confidence man, in Paris. United States currency found in Donnelly's possession is said to be part of \$50,000 ransom paid over by "Jafal" Condon before the baby was found murdered.

## RUMOUR RUNS WILD IN CUBA

King George And Stalin Reported Dead.

## CITY WITHOUT NEWSPAPERS

Havana. Rumours spread like wildfire in Havana during the recent strike which deprived the city of its newspapers and telephones. Rich and poor alike were ignorant of what was taking place in the rest of the world.

When President Carlos Mendieta met newspaper men at a press conference, he said the first question, "Pardon me, gentlemen," he said, "but can you tell me whether it is true that Stalin has been killed in Moscow?"

Among other rumours which caught the public imagination were the death of King George, a revolution in Russia, the assassination of the Cuban Radical former Secretary of War, Antonio Guiteras, and the death of 20 to 50 Cubans at the hands of American marines. Rumours of trouble in Russia appeared to be the most prevalent. —Reuter.

## MAN DIVORCED AT NINETY

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Grand Rapids, Michigan. At the age of 88 Mr. Ephraim E. Brown, of Grand Rapids married for the first time.

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Once, he said, she took £10 from him by force as he lay in bed, helpless with rheumatism. —Reuter.

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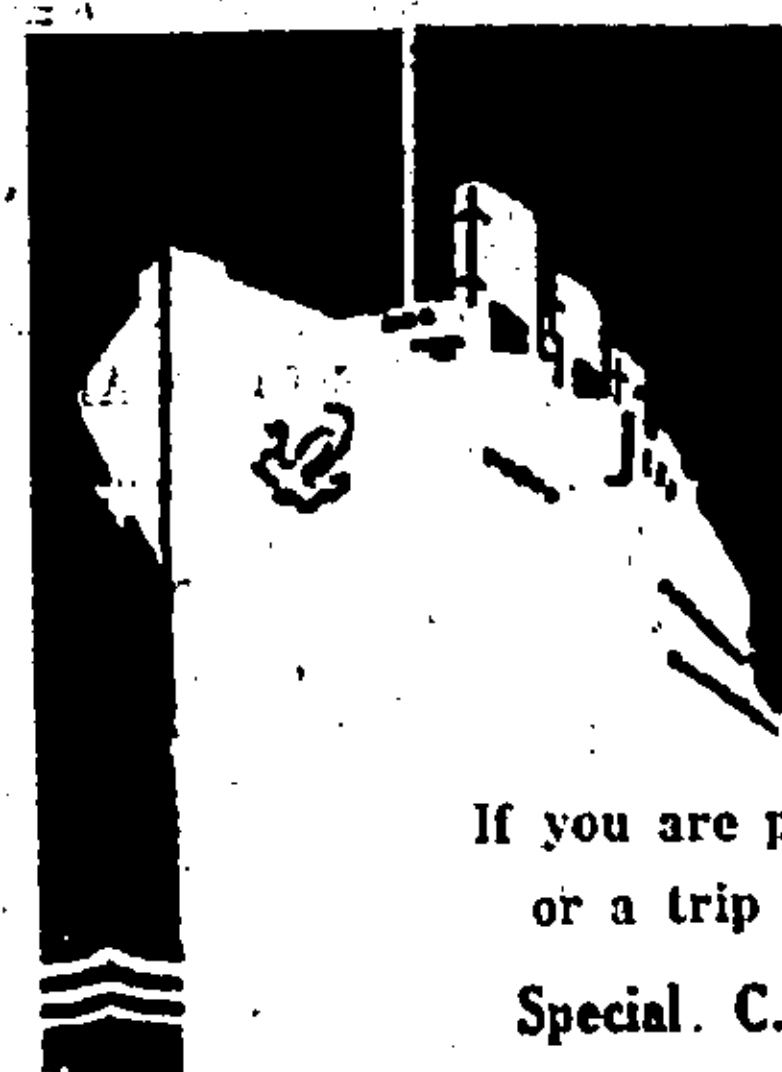
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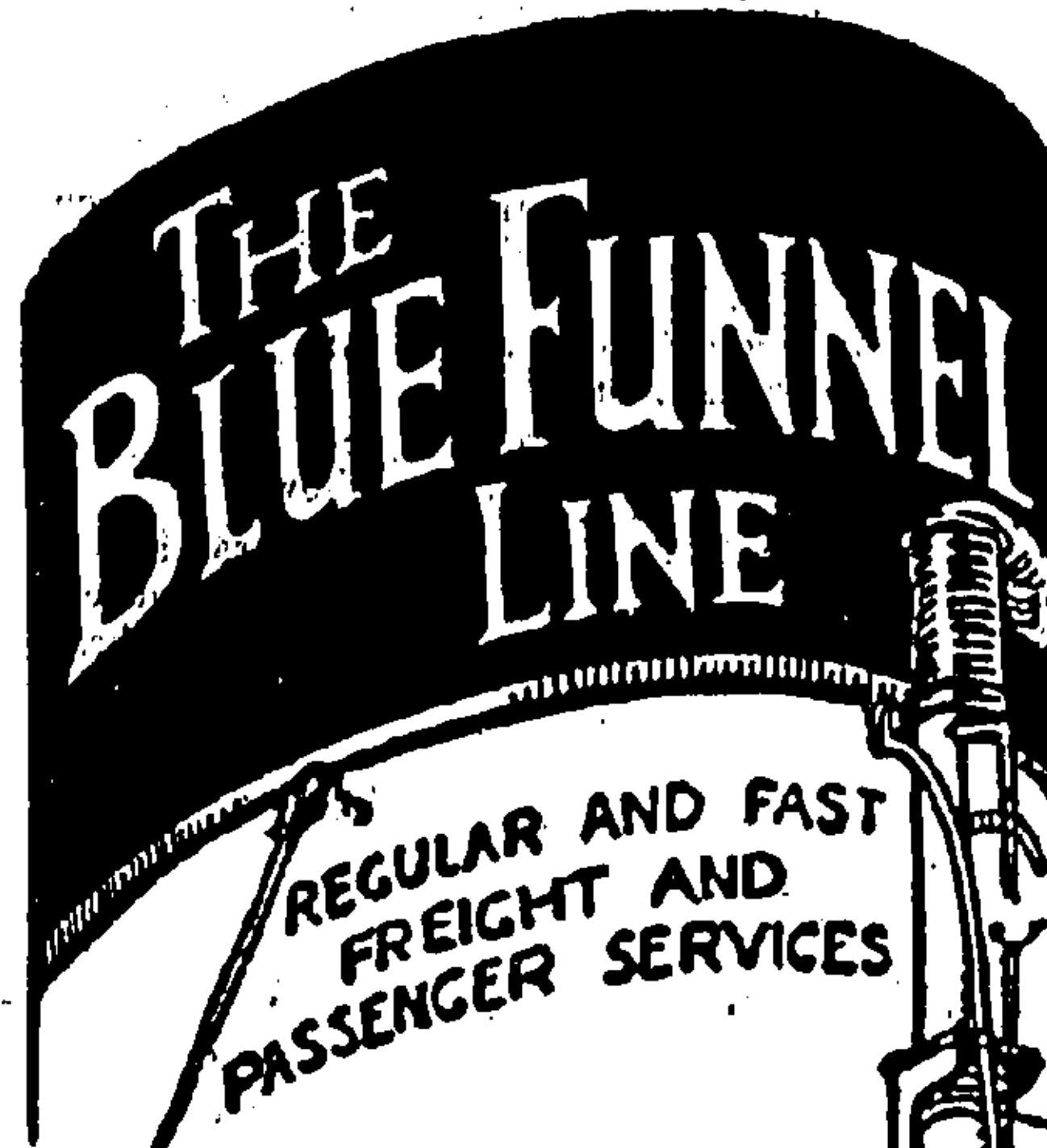
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|---------------|---------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1934.         |         |                      |                                                                        |
| CORFU         | 15,000  | 19th May             | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| BANGALORE     | 6,000   | 26th May             | Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull. |
| MIRZAPUR      | 7,000   | 30th May             | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.                                      |
| WANTIA        | 11,000  | 2nd June             | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| ALIPORE       | 6,000   | 12th June            | S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.                                      |
| KAWALPINDI    | 17,000  | 18th June            | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| BHUTAN        | 6,000   | 23rd June            | Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull. |
| KAISAR-I-HIND | 12,000  | 30th June            | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| BEHAR         | 6,100   | 7th July             | Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull. |
| RAJPUTANA     | 17,000  | 14th July            | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| SOUDAN        | 6,700   | 21st July            | Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull. |
| RANCHI        | 17,000  | 28th July            | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| CARTHAGE      | 15,000  | 11th Aug.            | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| BURDWAN       | 6,000   | 18th Aug.            | Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull. |
| RANPURA       | 17,000  | 25th Aug.            | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| CORFU         | 15,000  | 8th Sept.            | Bombay, Marseilles & London.                                           |
| SOMALI        | 7,000   | 15th Sept.           | Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull. |
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|---------|---------|----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1934.   |         |                      |                                        |
| TILAWA  | 10,000  | 27th May             | Singapore, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta. |
| SANTHIA | 8,000   | 10th June            | Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.          |
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|---------|---------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 1934.   |         |                      |                                               |
| TANDA   | 7,000   | 2nd June             | Manila, Rabaul, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne. |
| NANKIN  | 7,000   | 30th June            | DO                                            |
| NELLORE | 7,000   | 8th Aug.             | DO                                            |
| TANDA   | 7,000   | 1st Sept.            | DO                                            |
| NANKIN  | 7,000   | 29th Sept.           | DO                                            |

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| S.S.          | Tonnage | From Hong Kong About | Destination.                            |
|---------------|---------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| 1934.         |         |                      |                                         |
| BEHAR         | 6,100   | 30th May             | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.        |
| KAISAR-I-HIND | 12,000  | 31st May             | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.        |
| SHIRALA       | 8,000   | 1st June             | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.           |
| NANKIN        | 7,000   | 3rd June             | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.              |
| SOUDAN        | 6,700   | 12th June            | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.              |
| RAJPUTANA     | 17,000  | 14th June            | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.           |
| TAKADA        | 8,000   | 15th June            | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.              |
| RANCHI        | 7,000   | 29th June            | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama. |
| NELLORE       | 7,000   | 6th July             | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.           |
| TILAWA        | 10,000  | 12th July            | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.              |
| CARTHAGE      | 15,000  | 12th July            | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.              |
| BURDWAN       | 6,000   | 11th July            | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.              |
| RANPURA       | 17,000  | 27th July            | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.           |
| SANTHIA       | 8,000   | 27th July            | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama. |
| TANDA         | 7,000   | 5th Aug.             | Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.              |
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## To June Bride and Groom



After an off-and-on romance of many months that nearly drove the gossiping public to report that the bride and groom, deep-voiced crooner (inset) and Sally Blane, film star, will not all minds at rest by getting married in June.

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### FIVE TRUSTEES APPOINTED

London.

The announcement of a legacy of £70,000 to Grand Lodge and the re-election of the Duke of Connaught as Grand Master of English Freemasonry were the chief events at the Quarterly Communication of the United Grand Lodge of England at Freemason's Hall.

The £70,000 was left by the late Captain Frederick Phillips of Barnstaple. It is to be devoted to the founding of such a Masonic charity as the Grand Master may think fit.

No stipulations are made by the testator beyond the expression of a wish that the Royal Masonic Hospital may be remembered.

The money is to be vested in the names of five trustees, and the Duke of Connaught will appoint a small committee to assist Mr. J. Russell McLaren, President of the Board of General Purposes, in administering the fund.

Sir Stanley Machin, presenting the accounts, said that during the past year a further £259,833 had been spent on building the new Freemason's Hall.

A donation of 250 guineas to the Indian Earthquake Fund was unanimously voted. Sir Kynaston Studd, ex-Lord Mayor, in proposing the gift suggested that individual lodges might also contribute.—Reuter.

## WHY GREAT NATIONS FADE AWAY

(Continued from Page 8)

It has revived the Roman idea of worship of the State and deification of its head such as was evidenced by the erection of provincial altars to "Rome and Augustus."

Germany under Hitler has also its tens of thousands of irreconcilables, now imprisoned, as the price of authority.

Force is worshipped, as in Russia and Italy, and how the system will settle down into a permanent consortium no man can yet see. None of these systems allows of debate or reasoning, and they have no place for variety of opinions.

**Complete Powers**  
Aleric, when remonstrated with for plundering Rome and asked what was left to the people, replied: "Your soul."

But modern dictators will not allow even this.  
In England, extremists are endeavouring to prepare us to submit to a dictatorship which they promise us, and they are meeting with a volume of success which is disquieting.

Legislation, leaders like Sir Stafford Cripps tells us, is to be planned to take over complete powers, only subject to a single vote of Parliament.

Once that is gained, there can be no revoke. Inevitably the accumulated savings of every one

## RACING PIGEON'S RECORD WIN

First In Race That Was  
Not Held.

### WEATHER UPSETS PLOTTER

Hagen, Germany.

A carrier-pigeon has just won a race which was never held. For years a member of the Hagen Pigeon Society had aspired to win the "Grand Tour" from Interburg (East Prussia) but without success. This year he evolved a plan.

While carrying his pigeons to the station in a basket, he took out his best bird, with the control ring already on its leg, and brought it back home with him.

After strenuous calculations he succeeded in working out the time at which the other birds would be arriving from Interburg. A little before that time he took the tram out to a suburb, and gave the pigeon to a confederate with instructions when to release it.

Then he went back to the winning post to await his "success." Sure enough, his pigeon came in easily first—in fact no other birds arrived at all.

Instead came a telegram saying "Birds not released on account of stormy weather. Race postponed."—Reuter.

## WEIGHTY GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE

Husband Grows Angry  
As Wife Grows Fat.

### THROWN OUT AT 10 STONE

Chicago, Illinois.

When Mrs. Laura Johnson married Frank Johnson in 1928 she weighed 8st. 6lb.

She is now suing for divorce, the following allegations being set forth in the petition:

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At 11st. 6lb. she was thrown out again and called "fat."

At 11st. 1lb. she broke the scales and was thrown out again.

All this, Mrs. Johnson alleges, constitutes cruelty, since she had "no control over the course of nature."—Reuter.

Any such Government will throttle "the importance of adventure for the promotion and preservation of civilisation," as Professor Whitehead puts it.

All "ordered" schemes stop the enterprise of the individual, more or less. They are static and not dynamic.

No official dare experiment in his affairs. "Theirs not to make reply; theirs but to do and die."

The more of official management there is, the less room is left for insight that demands experiment, for uncovering faults and abuses that need a remedy.

In short, disintegration has set in and the strength of the nation as a tree will be sapped by the cancer of over-swollen bureaucracy.

## FELIPE

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Stephen Raddington's eyes were mild, and of a faded, unimpressive grey. When he was in the Tropics scarcely anybody realised this, because he wore large, enigmatic blue spectacles against the sun. The rest of his features were commendably hawk-like; with his iron-grey hair and tanned skin he would have done credit to any magazine illustration. Looking at him, you were impressed, if not intimidated; and Stephen Raddington, who was a sensitive and observant man, always noticed this.

As a result, he lived in a state of considerable perplexity. His impressions of his external self he got from two sources: from the shaving-mirror, where he saw those timid, watery eyes, the centres of pallid oases in a desert of unnatural tan; and from his own conversation, which was conducted in a high-pitched, rather soothing voice. He could not see that the blue glasses invested him with an air of inscrutability, from which his dove-like tones borrowed a veiled menace that they were never intended to convey. His ineradicable diffidence was taken for a baffling assurance. Ingenious to a fault, Stephen Raddington found his personality strangely misconstrued.

He had been a schoolmaster in Sheffield for eight years. Then, his health breaking down and a legacy cropping up, he had come to Central America to write a careful book on the Mayan civilisation. His presence on the board of inquirers he owed solely to his politeness.

The new President had thought he would be interested, and Stephen had not liked to disillusion him.

Besides, he was interested, though rather appalled. A great observer of his fellow-men, Stephen knew far more about human nature than he realised. His was essentially a working knowledge, in the best sense of the expression, and unblinded by any preconceived ideas on the subject: except one. Stephen Raddington was never able wholly to convince himself that he was right; so that his admirable flair for human nature served him about as well, for practical purposes, as a flair for Greek lambics.

He eyed Felipe now with embarrassed pity. He felt uncomfortable himself, and saw that Felipe, behind his flamboyant nonchalance, was uncomfortable too. Hardly surprising, he thought; going to be shot to-morrow. Poor devil. . . . He shifted awkwardly in his chair.

He would have been astonished if he had been able to read the interpretation Felipe put upon his personality. Intrigued by this addition to the opportunity of winning fresh sympathies or defying fresh hostility, Felipe was nevertheless dubious. Here was a tough nut to crack; behind the malcontent blank of those blue glasses he imagined narrow piercing eyes. The careless, unimpressive way the man settled himself in his chair hinted at conscious power. Still, it was all grist to the mill of Felipe's dramatic sense; and there was really very little left of Felipe except his dramatic sense.

The cross-examination began. Its tempo was quicker than usual, its atmosphere more tense; the third act was nearing a climax. At first, Felipe was magnificent. Hot in defiance, indomitably sullen; suavely and scornfully evasive: sometimes courteous and resigned. He mocked his judges indirectly, by treating so lightly the pass they had brought him to.

To-day, for the new man's benefit, he even revived the suggestion of a deep friendship behind his loyalty to Flores; he gave them glimpses of it—little pegs for sentimental deduction—by allowing himself here and there a break in the voice, a bitten-off betrayal of warmth. He had lately dropped this motif from his repertoire; its effect on the bored tribunal had all ways been negligible, and its implied support of another candidate for the time light was not wholly to his taste. But it was worth trying on the newcomer. Felipe over-acted grossly.

Actually, they gave him a worse time than ever before: they were making the most of their last chance. Once Rivers leant forward and hit him hard across the mouth; and they sent the sergeant out for a whip, though they did not use it. Felipe came gradually nearer the breaking point. He felt weak and dizzy; the realities of martyrdom

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were closing in on him. In another moment he would have told them how Flores came every to the Cantina de los Cuatro Vientos, and sometimes slept there.

But then they made a mistake; quite a pardonable mistake, but a fatal one. They all saw how near they were to getting what they wanted; de la Torre, thinking to press home their advantage, lost it for them altogether. For some minutes he had held back from the rapping crescendo of their questions, letting his imagination play upon the scene, savouring it nastily.

Suddenly he stood up, thumping the table with a thick white hand. There was silence, save for the irregular rasping of the prisoner's breath. Then, in a soft, compelling voice, Juan de la Torre began to speak of what would happen on the next day; of the market-square, the crowds, the firing party. . . .

It was a conventional, not a very vivid, picture that he drew; but it served to defeat its purpose. In Felipe's mind his own vision of the scene, forgotten in his agony, sprang once more to life—comforting, strengthening, at all costs to be achieved. His body stopped quivering. He drew himself up. He was at bay again, no longer cornered.

They could do nothing more with him. Late in the afternoon he was sent back to his cell, still under sentence of death; still with everything to look forward to. . . . Tired and angry, the committee of judges adjourned to the nearest cantina. Garrulous even in defeat, it was some time before they asked Stephen Raddington for his opinion. He looked—uneasily, though they did not know it—from one to the other. The blue spectacles lent him a sphinx-like, oracular air.

"You really wish to know what I think?" he asked. His correct Castilian Spanish sounded oddly in their ears.

"Yes," they said. Stephen Raddington did not believe them. "There is only one thing," he said, in his high, gentle voice, "that will make that young man betray his accomplices. He does not fear the death you are offering him. But send to him and say that he will be there."

They took him, to his unbounded surprise, at his word. His mild assurance made them realise how much they had blundered, how much relied on bluster: he impressed them enormously. They did not even ask him how he knew, but said good-bye to him with fulsome gratitude, as though for something already accomplished. He was going down to the coast next day, to decipher stela in a swamp.

They arrested Flores that night, acted on information given them by Felipe, and shot him a week later. If you go to Carrayala, you are almost bound to see, at the corner table of the Cantina de la Victoria (which is the only one with pretensions to exclusiveness), a man in a blue and silver uniform, five times as magnificent as any worn in the Carrayalan army.

He will be the centre of a flatteringly silent group, and even though you do not join it you will hear him (for he talks in a remarkably loud and dramatic voice) praising a man who used to be a friend of his; though to his courage and his magnanimity, it appears, no words can do full justice. Several years ago, when he, Felipe, lay under sentence of death for an affair in which their political principles had involved both of them, this incomparably high-souled comrade, this never sufficient to be lamented friend, had come forward at the eleventh hour: had taken the whole blame upon himself; and had secured, at the cost of his own life, the liberation of the present speaker from a death as terrible as it was ignominious.

It is a moving recital. At its conclusion Felipe will rise, finish his drink, square his padded shoulders, and go out. On your way back to the hotel you will see him, immobile and resplendent in the sunshine, outside the big new cinema they have built on the site of the Teatro Nacional, where no one ever acted plays. Felipe is commissaire there.





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## BUFFER POOL PLAN FOR TIN.

**Bolivian Criticism Of Propositions.**

**FAR EAST MUST PAY MORE**

Paris, To-day.  
The International Tin Committee has reached an agreement in principle concerning the buffer pool plan. The details were criticised by the Bolivians, who insisted that Malaya, the Dutch East Indies and Nigeria should put up more money for the stabilisation fund, in order to buy tin for the pool's stock, than those countries proposed.

An agreement in principle was also reached on this question.—Reuter.

## KING AND QUEEN AT OLYMPIA.

**Royal Tournament Opened.**

London, To-day.  
The Royal tournament at Olympia, in which the Navy, Army and Air Force combine to present an annual programme for the benefit of Service charities, and which constitutes one of the most popular features of the London season, was opened yesterday by Their Majesties the King and Queen.

The King inspected the triple guard formed in the arena by the Royal Navy with the King's colours, the Coldstream Guards, and the Royal Air Force.—British Wireless Service.

## STOCK MARKET RECOVERY

**Prices Rally On Wall Street.**

**SILVER OPENS HIGHER**

New York, To-day.  
A sharp recovery in industrials and rails, which advanced 3.23 and 1.39 to 95.98 and 43.63, respectively, featured the New York stock market yesterday. Utilities and bonds improved .87 and .25 to 23.63 and 93.94, respectively. The commodity index was up .65 to 54.12.

Business was average, 1,290,000 shares being traded.

There was a higher opening in silver on strength in London. Prices lost about one-third of their gains on selling by the trade. Commission house selling came from scattered sources.

In their market report, Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company, through their local correspondents, the American Oriental Finance Corporation, state:

"The rally was naturally responsive for a substantial change in trading sentiment. There was probably quite a little short-covering. However, there is said to have been considerable long-buying in the past few days on the theory that perhaps the recent decline had been fully discounted by the existing business situation."

"Wheat: Nervous. There was an early easiness due to changing weather conditions in the North-West, but prices recovered on further crop damage reports."

## BACK TO THE LAND IN BRITAIN.

**Government Willing To Aid Plan.**

**HOLDINGS FOR WORKLESS**

London, To-day.  
The Minister of Agriculture, Major Walter Elliot, yesterday stated in the House of Commons, that if a small holidays association for England and Wales were formed to provide as experiment holdings for suitable unemployed, the Government would contribute up to £50,000 annually for three years on the basis of £1 to every £2 raised from non-State sources by the association.

He mentioned that 1,000 acres of ground for such a scheme had been promised by Mr. Malcolm Stewart.—British Wireless Service.

## COOK'S 7130 CENTS

Ho Hung, a cook, was fined \$100, in default two months' imprisonment, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, for importing unmanifested cargo of one sack of Chinese copper coins, containing 7130 cents, on board the s.s. Kong Mong yesterday.

Cotton: There was an improved demand, induced principally by silver developments. Considerable long selling and moderate Southern selling was well taken.—Reuter.

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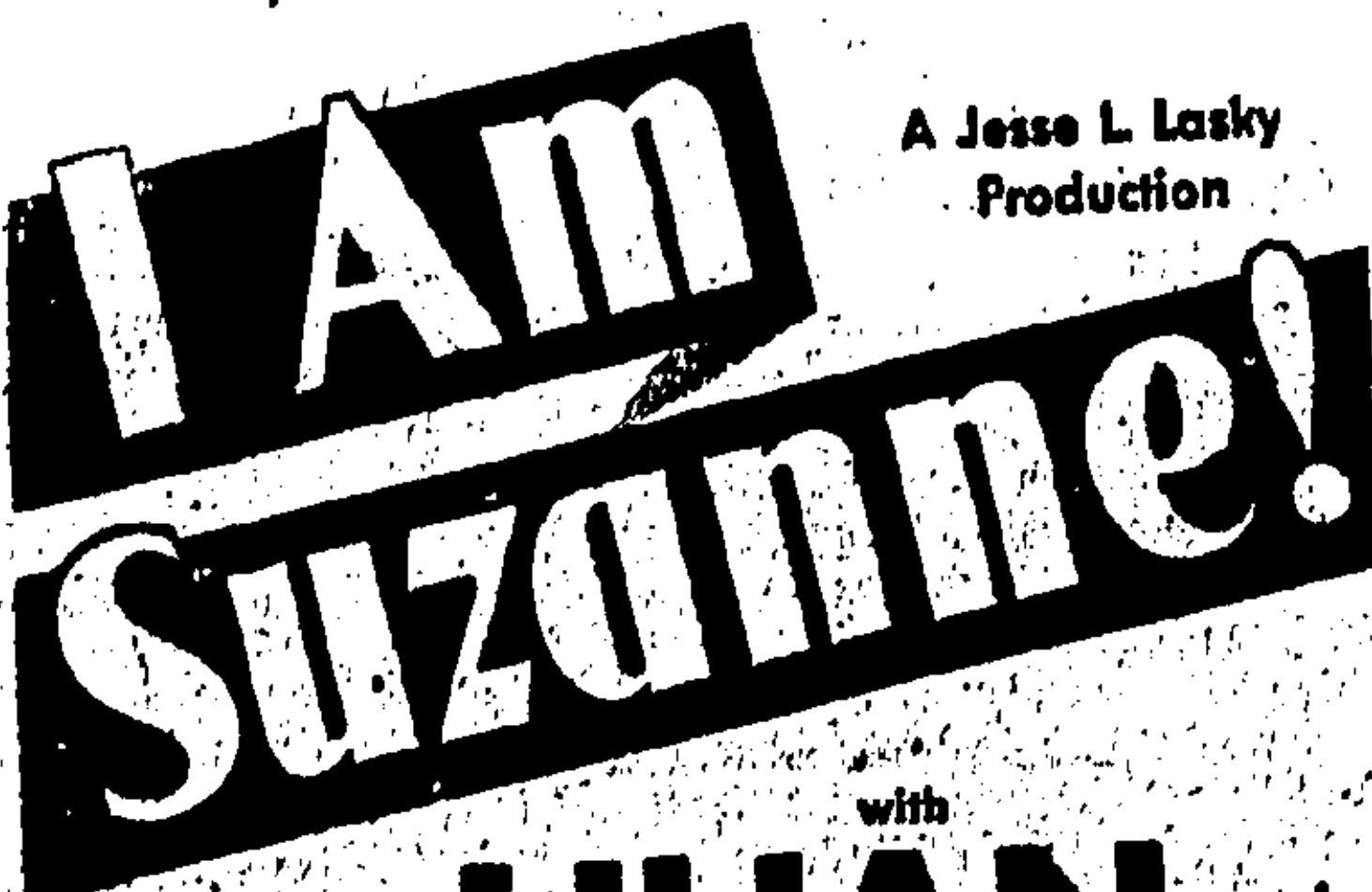
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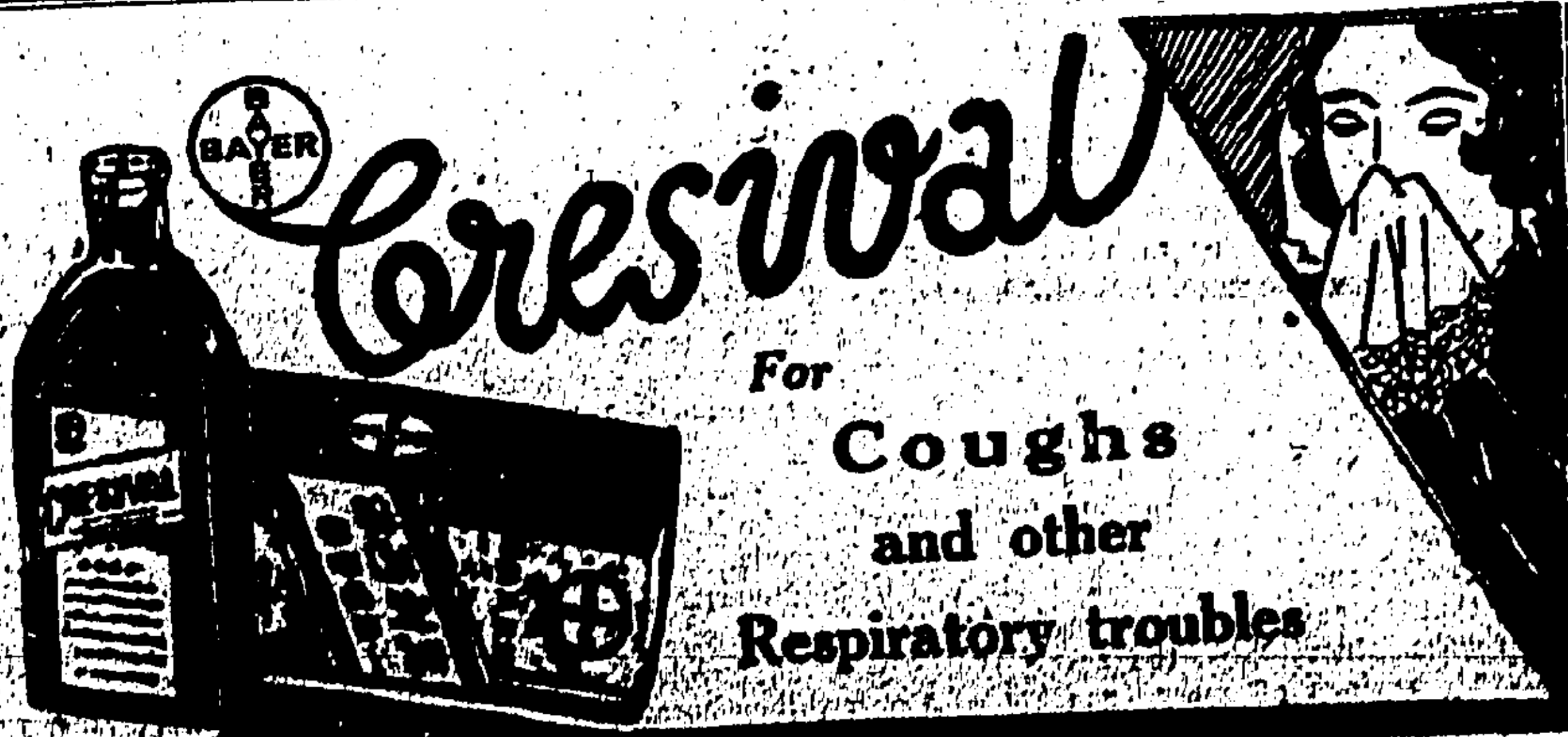
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